

'I have been blacklisted because I supported the Khalistan movement'

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The new list of 169 people 'blacklisted' by the Indian government, released last month by Indian Home Minister P Chidambaram, has ruffled feathers in the United States.

"India blacklisted 169 people and removed 140; my name was one of them (*the blacklisted*). I do not know why they have blacklisted me," Gurmeet Singh Aulakh, president, Council of Khalistan, told *India Abroad* from Washington, DC.

He acknowledged he had spoken against the Indian government. "Freedom (*of speech*) is everybody's birthright," Aulakh said.

Aulakh, 73, learned about his name being on the blacklist after *The Tribune* newspaper published the list May 12.

"It's a conspiracy by the Indian government, they want to kill our struggle," said Aulakh, who was 'appointed' 'president' of Khalistan — the separate country Sikh militants wanted India's Punjab state to become. "Today, India has occupied Khalistan," said Aulakh, claiming that Punjab had declared 'independence' from India October 7, 1987.

"They never sent me a notice that I am blacklisted," he added.

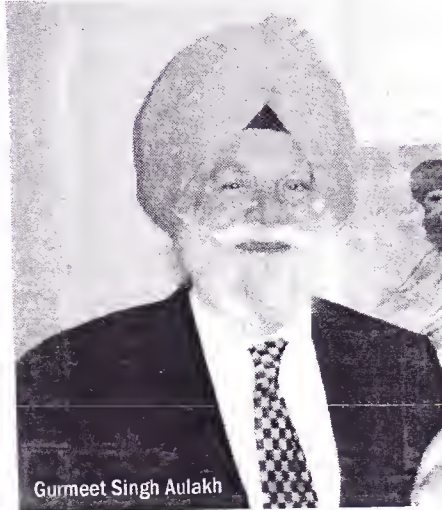
Aulakh migrated to the United Kingdom from India in 1965 — long before the Sikh militancy began in the early 1980s — later came to the US, and worked with the federal government.

"This (*blacklisting*) will not make any difference to the movement to free Khalistan," Aulakh said. "I will be happy to go to Punjab to hoist the flag of a sovereign, independent Khalistan. Only in a free Khalistan will the Sikh nation prosper and get justice."

"But," he continued, "there should not be such a list. How is it that a democracy maintains a list barring peaceful activists from the country? We have paid a huge price to be free. We fought back and did not submit ourselves. We are not going to submit ourselves even now."

India, he claimed, "is destined to fall apart soon. India is a multinational state thrown together by British colonialists for their administrative convenience. The break-up of India is inevitable."

Harbhajan Singh Bhinder, a California-based member of the Council of Khalistan, whose name also features on the Indian



Gurmeet Singh Aulakh

blacklist, said, "I expect the government to do what it had been doing all along — punishing innocent people. I have been blacklisted because I supported the Khalistan movement and supported all kinds of fight for justice against the Indian state."

He alleged that Indian consulates avoid giving visas to Diaspora Sikhs.

"I cannot trust corrupt India," said Bhinder, who was born in Malaysia. "They are putting dust in people's eyes."

The blacklist, he alleged, is to cut the Sikh community off from India.

Another Sikh senior, who did not wish to be named, pointed out that many Sikhs who fled India during the government's crackdown against Sikh militants are now naturalized US citizens, and most of them live in California. "What is the assurance that no action will be taken against them?"

Ashok Kumar Sinha, consul, community affairs, Indian consulate, San Francisco, said in an e-mail that the consulate had not received a formal communication from India in this regard and, therefore, was not in a position to give a meaningful reply.

Gurudev Sandhu, planning commissioner, Milpitas, California, welcomed India's decision to remove 140 names from the blacklist. The removal of the names (many of them associated with the Sikh militancy), he said, was the result of concerted efforts by the Sikh Diaspora. But he feared that such people could be arrested if they travel to India. "They can (*also*) and kill you," he added.

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NAMES OF TOP SIKH MILITANTS DELETED FROM BLACKLIST

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Top ideologues of the Khalistan movement in Punjab in the eighties are among 117 persons taken off the blacklist of the Union Home Ministry. Among them are Ganga Singh Dhillon, Ripudaman Singh Malik and Inderjit Singh Reyat, who stood trial in the Kanishka blast case, and president of the International Sikh Students Federation, Satinder Pal Singh Gill.

Others to benefit from the review is the family of top Babbar leader Talwinder Singh Parmar besides several militant leaders like Satnam Singh Babbar, Daya Singh, Ranjit Singh, alias Neeta, Lakhbir Singh Rode, and Mehal Singh, alias Atma, alias Bhai alias Bhatt, alias Jat. The Tribune has the complete list of 142 names that have been deleted from the blacklist. These include 25 names that were deleted in November last.

Interestingly, the names of Paramjit Singh Panjwar, alias Pamma, alias Pinderjit, and Wadhawa Singh Chacha, whose names appear in the list of the top 50 wanted men hiding in Pakistan- also appear in the delete list. The name of late Jagjit Singh Chohan, who died after his return to India, also figures in the list. Thekedar Jaswant Singh and another Kahlistan ideologue Gurmeet Singh Aulakh are also off the blacklist. The complete list of the Sikh NRIs whose names have been deleted from the blacklist was received by the Delhi Gurdwara Management Committee from the Ministry of Home Affairs today.

"When I came to the office this evening, I checked the mail and found this important letter from the Ministry of Home Affairs," says Paramjit Singh Sarna, president of the DSGMC. "As of now, of rgw 169 Sikh NRIs on the blacklist, 142 names have been taken off because of our persistent efforts," claims Sarna.

Contrary to the claims by the Punjab Government that it had forced the Home Ministry to review the list, a letter from the Home Ministry to the DSGMC says the review had been done following the directions of the Delhi High Court in response to its writ petition dated February 9, 2011.

The list: Gurpal Singh, alias Mandip Singh, alias Hardip Singh, alias Surjit Singh Bittoo, alias Patwari, S/o Sohan Singh; Harvinder Singh Bhatia s/o Bakhtawar Singh; Ripudaman Singh Malik; Daljit Singh Sekhon s/o Gurdip Singh; Gian Singh Sandhu; Inderjit Singh Reyat; Jagdish Singh Bhura, alias Doctor, S/o Gulzar Singh; Tazinder Singh Kaloe, alias Chhote, alias Singhanwala, alias Tajinder Singh; Bikar Singh Nijjar; Ranjit Singh Sandhu; Saudagar Singh Sandhu; Gurpartap Singh, alias Battu, alias Gurwant Singh, alias Bath, alias Guriqbal, s/o Ajit Singh Jat; Satinder Singh Gill, alias Jathedar, alias Shamir, alias Raina, alias Jat, alias Sikh s/o Baldev Singh; Satinder Pal Singh Gill, alias Ambassador s/o Uddham Singh Jat; Kashmira Singh, alias Kashmir Singh; Balbir Singh s/o Bachittar Singh; Gurdial Singh Lalli s/o Menga Singh; Gurdip Singh Pardesh, alias Milkha s/o Ajit Singh; Hardvinder Singh, alias Tarvinder Singh s/o Ranjit Singh; Harmit Singh Bakna s/o Jagtar Singh; Rachpal Singh s/o Hardip Singh; Satpal Singh Khinda s/o Narinderjit Singh; Satnam Singh Babbar s/o Nirwan Singh; Jagtar Singh, alias Tari, alias Sarpanch, alias Panjola s/o Malkiat Singh; Parminder Singh Bajwa, alias Bittoo s/o Mahinder Singh Bajwa; Tarsem Singh, alias Sema, alias Karam Singh s/o Atma Singh; Chattar Singh s/o Manna Singh; Daya Singh s/o Ishar Singh; Gulab Singh s/o Manna Singh; Naam Singh s/o Ishar Singh; Ranjit Singh, alias Neeta, alias Manpreet s/o Darshan Singh; Jagroop Singh Nihang, alias Chattar Singh; Lakhbir Singh Rode alias Lakhu, alias Lakhbir Singh Barar s/o Late Jagir Singh; Mehal Singh, alias Atma, alias Bhai, alias Bhatt, alias Jat s/o Jind Singh; Parmjit Singh Panjwar, alias Paramjit Singh Panjwar, alias Pamma, alias Pinderjit s/o Kashmira Singh (Jat); Surinder Singh, alias Chacha, alias Sekhon, alias Surinder Singh, alias Bhau s/o Devinder Singh; Wadhwa Singh Chacha s/o Amar Singh; Dalip Singh s/o Gian Singh; Jasbir Singh s/o Hira Singh; Karan Singh, alias Karam Singh s/o Balwant Singh; Iqbal Singh Jagat; Jagjit Singh Chauhan; Davinder Singh Nahal, alias Devinder Singh, alias Baig s/o Late Karnail Singh;

Loveshinder Singh, alias Love s/o Avtar Singh; Randhir Singh s/o Charan Singh; Tarsem Singh Mehal s/o Baba Singh Ramgarhia; Ajit Singh Khera; Amrik Singh, alias Malkiat Singh; Balbir Singh Atwal; Mukhtiar Singh Baghel, alias Gurmukh Singh alias Dhanna s/o Gurdev Singh; Narinderjit Singh Thandi s/o Bachan Singh Thandi; Nirmal Singh; Parminder Singh Bal; Paramjit Singh Sidhu s/o Gurdev Singh Sidhu; Ganga Singh Dhillon s/o S Khan Singh; Gurdeep Singh Sohal s/o Lohar Singh; Gurmeet Singh Aulakh, alias Gurmit Singh Aulakh s/ Sunder Singh; Harbhajan Singh Gill s/o Partap Singh; Gurcharan Singh Saidpur s/o Jagir Singh; Nirmal Singh Nimma s/o Mohar Singh; Dhanna Singh, alias Balbir Singh s/o Joginder Singh; Harinder Singh Babbar, alias Bhakta; Pramit Singh Ajrawat, alias Dr Pramjit Singh Ajrawat s/o Pritam Singh; Satinder Singh Gill, alias John Gill alias Satwinder Singh, alias Bhola, alias Gill s/o Gurdev Singh Master; Gurjinder Singh, alias Mana s/o Late Mohinder Singh; Jagjit Singh, alias Billa s/o Hansa Singh; Sukhwinder Singh, alias Penta s/o Teja Singh; Harbhajan Singh Bhinder, alias Chowdhury Bhajan Singh Bhinder, alias BS Iqbal, alias Iqbal, alias Iqbal Singh, alias Iqbal Choudhary, alias Bhagan Singh Bhinder; Parsham Singh, alias Parsan Singh, alias Persian Singh s/o Sewa Singh Lubana; Asaf Shaujah; Bablir Singh Nijjar; Gian Singh Chitti s/o Didar Singh Chitti; Baljit Singh; Jaideep Singh; Rajbir Singh; Santokh Singh, alias Khela, alias Bualla, alias Santokh Singh Khela s/o Chain Singh; Hakkam Singh Bhinds; Kuldip Brar; Piara Singh Pannesar; Surinder Singh Gill; Balkaranjit Singh Gill, alias Balkaran; Jaspal Singh, alias Jassa; Satinder Bir Singh Randhawa s/o Harjit Singh; Prof Uday Singh, alias Jawant Singh; Gurinder Singh; Jagwinder Singh; Charan Singh; Gural Singh, alias Pala; Tehal Singh; Gurbax Singh; Pritpal Singh, alias Honey; Rajinder Singh, alias Mona; Gurjant Singh, alias Buntly s/o Gurnam Singh; Harjinder Singh, alias Billa, alias Giani alias Kala s/o Gian Singh; Sukhdev Singh Chottu s/o Malkiat Singh; Balbir Singh Sandhu s/o Sardara Singh; Bhupinder Singh, alias Bhinda s/o Gurcharan Singh; Harcharan Singh Gill; Kewal Singh Nagra; Satwant Singh Sandhu; Aniljit Singh Uppal; Jarnail Singh Heer; Raminder Singh Bhander s/o Balwant Singh Bhander; Harjit Singh Atwal s/o Sohan Singh Atwal; Jethinder Singh Narwal, alias Roman, alias Jathinder Singh Narwal Roman; Jawinder Parwar s/o Talwinder Singh Parmar; Narinder Singh Parmar s/o Talwinder Singh Parmar; Rajinder Kaur Parmar, alias Cheema s/o Talwinder Singh Parmar; Surinder Singh Parmar s/o Talwinder Singh Parmar; Satwinder Singh Heir; Parmajit S Johal; Harkiran Singh Kular; Mokham Singh Bagri s/o Ajaib Singh Bagri; Jatinder Singh Gill; Gurcharan Singh s/o Sohan Singh Jat; Balwinder Singh alias Dhillon alias Khalsa s/o Sohan Singh.

REVIEW OF BLACKLIST TRIBUNE ANALYSIS Khalistan ideologues major beneficiaries Prabhjot Singh Tribune News Service, Chandigarh, May 14, 2011

A review of the blacklist of Sikh separatists and militants by the Union Home Ministry last month has benefited dreaded organisation Babbar Khalsa International (BKI) and Khalistan ideologues the most. Incidentally, the chiefs of all the four infamous Sikh militant bodies -- Wadhawa Singh Babbar alias Chacha (BKI), Paramjit Singh Panjwar (Khalistan Commando Force), Ranjit Singh alias Neeta of Khalistan Zindabad Force and Lakhbir Singh Rode and Satinder Pal Singh Gill (International Youth Federation) have made it off the list. Key Khalistan ideologues, including octogenarian Ganga Singh Dhillon of Nankana Sahib Foundation, Gurmeet Singh Aulakh and Gian Singh Sandhu, too, fall in this category.

Ganga Singh Dhillon was the guest of honour at the World Sikh Education conference held in Chandigarh in the early 1980s, the time when the struggle for Khalistan had just started.

After removal of their names from the blacklist, they are now legally permitted to visit India (subject to production of valid travel documents), though it will now be the responsibility of Indian missions abroad to process their applications in this connection, a source in the police department. Many of them have cases pending at police stations in Chandigarh, Punjab, Haryana and Delhi.

Interestingly, their present residences are in some of those countries with which India has extradition treaties signed since the late 1990s. Not many requests for extraditing them were pending with the countries of their present abode. Sources in the police and intelligence agencies were non-committal on the action they would initiate in case they, after clearance of their names from the blacklist, decided to visit India.

Four of them, including Paramjit Singh Panjwar and Wadhawa Singh Babbar, are known to have made Pakistan their new home. But changing global security scenario after the killing of Osama bin Laden may have given them the feeling of insecurity and uncertain future.

Intriguingly, while names of those in Pakistan have been cleared from the blacklist, yet they figure prominently in the list of 50 sent by the Government of India to Pakistan for handover.

Justice John C Major, who headed the Commission of Inquiry in the Kanishka blast case and was recently in Chandigarh, said that in Surrey, British Columbia, Sikh fundamentalists were more active than those in India. And a fairly large number of those whose names had been cleared were settled in and around Surrey.

Some of the Khalistan ideologues have made the US their home while a few BKI activists have chosen Germany and other European nations, including England.

Sources reveal that the Union Home Ministry had been under constant pressure from various Sikh bodies, both from India and overseas, to scrap the list. They had been advocating that those on the list be given the chance for a fair trial. They quote cases of Dr Sohan Singh and Dr Jagjit Singh Chohan, both Khalistan ideologues, and also of Wassan Singh Zaffarwal, who was once one of most dreaded militants. Once they were back in the mainstream, they faced the cases slapped against them and renounced militancy.

Prominent among those cleared

- * **Lakhbir Singh Rode, Satinder Pal Singh Gill (International Sikh Youth Federation)**
- * **Paramjit Singh Panjwar (Khalistan Commando Force)**

- * Jaswinder Parmar, Narinder Singh Parmar, Rajinder Kaur Parmar, Surinder Kaur Parmar (from the family of Talwinder Singh Parmar of BKI)
- * Mehal Singh Babbar, Wadhawa Singh Chacha, Jagtar Singh, Daya Singh, Harinder Singh Babbar, Thekedar Jaswant Singh (Babbar Khalsa International)
- * Ranjit Singh Neeta (Khalistan Zindabad Force)
- * Ripudaman Singh Malik, Inderjit Singh Reyat (stood trial in Kanishka blast case)

The legal angle

Sources in the police and intelligence agencies non-committal on the action they would initiate in case those cleared off the blacklist decide to visit India. Also, while names of those in Pakistan have been cleared from the blacklist, yet they figure prominently in the list of 50 sent by the Government of India to Pakistan for handover

AGPC- Anpad Goondai Pakanahi Club

Introduction:

AGPC; is a organization made by a bunch of Government of India sponsored so-called Sikhs who are an admixture of police cats and criminals let loose from Panjab jails in large numbers by claiming political asylum in the US. This organization was originally started immediately after the formation of the World Sikh Organization by the infamous GOI agent Maj.Gen.Jaswant Singh Bhullar and his gang in 1984-85. These nefarious characters had been sent by "RAW" [1] and the "Third Agency" [2] as spies and gangsters, to eventually create havoc within the Sikh Diaspora in the USA. In the state of Michigan alone there are several dozen so-called Sikhs who own gas stations, convenience stores and liquor stores and a lot of them are ex-policeman and criminal cats [3] who have tortured and murdered hundreds and thousands of innocent Sikhs in Panjab and now are in hiding. California also has quite a few of the senior police officer's sons, daughters and other relatives who are living low profile lives with money brought in from Panjab. [A report dated January 1, 2007 in the Tribune {Chandigarh} newspaper states that of recent more than 200 policemen have disappeared into the US. Ajit Singh Sandhu a Superintendent of Police who assisted Kanwarpal Singh Gill Director General of Police, Panjab, to torture and murder Human Rights Activist Jaswant Singh Khaira of Chandigarh is alive and well; living a peaceful existence in Halifax, Canada. [4]] Money gets transferred through the underground network to setup their respective businesses with the help of RAW and other means. KAC-Khalistan Affairs Center, AGPC [5] & SYOA [6] have very close contacts with all of them. **Over 5,000 criminals have been sent into the US & Canada since 1984 by RAW & the Third Agency specifically with the agenda; which is, to infiltrate every gurdwara, every Sikh organization of any kind simply to create havoc and discord, so that the Sikhs do not unite thereby are left leaderless, ineffective and without any teeth to affect their own destiny as Sikhs!** [This model was and is still being used for years by the Government of India; i.e.,] a) criminals who are so-called Sikhs have sold their 'souls' to the Hindu devil incarnate government for the simple privilege of getting their pictures shot with the top politicians and in exchange will sell their own brothers, b) have Hindu criminals learn gurmukhi, teach them the basics tenets of the Sikh faith and put on the external uniform of a Sikh and then infiltrate the various Sikh organizations and kill at will; in the name of "real Sikhs". Thousands of such Hindu criminals were let out of various jails in Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh specifically for this task from 1982 -1992]. [7] The goal is to pretend to be solid Khalistanis yet co-opt the real ones and report back to their masters at RAW on a regular basis. From the mid 1980's the GOI employed "cats" through their intelligence agencies for the sole purpose of carrying out murder and plunder inognito pretending to be 'good' Sikhs. These "cats" and their families were given full protection by the state agencies while the "cats" carried out the orders of assassination and ran rampant killing innocent Sikhs and Hindus while the GOI labeled "Sikhs" as terrorists very conveniently. The same strategy has been used in the West, especially in USA and Canada, except that the cats in the USA are using non-violent tactics to subdue the Sikhs from inside by splitting them apart and draining their financial resources. Yet whenever the occasion arises when they do not get their way inside a

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Gurdwara they have beaten up innocent Sikhs on many occasions. All funding is provided by RAW and the rest is collected from the poor uneducated Sikhs from those gurdwaras where their other sub-organization "SYOA" have their cells and control. Yes! There are Sikhs also who have sold their soul to the Government of India and are working hand in glove as agents for them. "SYOA's", only job is to control gurdwaras through other uneducated goondas who can overpower the gurdwara committees and funds of the various gurdwaras. First they preplan a physical fight and after an elaborate song and dance the leaders will come in as peacemakers to pacify the warring parties. KAC is based out of Washington, D.C. headed by Amarjit Singh and is one of the leaders of a very dangerous multi-headed hydra, propped up by the previous government of India. KAC has a "shell" address at the National Press Building in Washington, D.C. Amarjit Singh has never even once in over 15+ years ever attempted to approach a Congressman/woman or Senator to address the genuine grievances of the Sikhs and put those written grievances or statements into the Congressional Record! KAC, AGPC, SYOA, VOF [Voices of Freedom] are one and the same thing with a big influence over another organization and so-called NGO, "United Sikhs" within the US. [United Sikhs – Hardayal Singh a computer programmer working for Bank of New York, NY City, NY; National Director also collects money as an NGO and in the last several years and never once put out an audited report for the public to see, ever! Furthermore, none of these organizations including United Sikhs make their constitutions public. Their websites are all fluff with nothing concrete to read and understand. They assume that the Sikh public is just a bunch of simple minded gullible fools. Part of the money from United Sikhs is also being used to fund Amarjit Vaid and his anti-Sikh activities. Questions have been raised by several organizations and individuals in reference to the funds being misused by United Sikhs during the "fund collection drive" for the Katrina Disaster and the Tsunami in 2005-2006] **All the below mentioned rascals have come into the US illegally.**

Gurinderjit, Yadvinder and Harbajan have been in the US approximately since 1988-1989. All 3 have attended Panjabi medium schools and some college education but are college dropouts. All three of them own multiple gas stations. Where did all the money come from? Highly educated, successful doctors, engineers and educated businessmen living in the US for 30+ years do not own homes even worth half as much as these goons; yet you have semi-literate goondas [sic] who all [each one of them] have purchased homes worth between \$1.5-2 Million Dollars in Paramus, NJ very close to the Glen Rock Gurdwara. I wonder how & why? These 3 rascals are the same men who in the early 1990's have physically assaulted several senior members of the Glen Rock Gurdwara, because these criminals wanted to take over the control and all the money of the gurdwara, which they did successfully, eventually. [Each one of them owns several gas stations all with the stolen funds of the Gurdwaras, other monies from their collections in the name of SYOA, AGPC and the rest from the RAW fund being sent discreetly through various means.] All this did not happen before spending well over \$250,000., of the Gurdwara sangat's fund on the lawsuit where these nefarious characters who did not even have any documents to stay in the US legally; managed to round up all other illegal sikhs [gas attendants, cab drivers, truck drivers, store clerks, dishwashers, masons, menial laborers, etc] and make them members of the Glen Rock Gurdwara illegally [most of the members were from out of state; primarily New York City]. Physical threats, assault, blackmail, arm-twisting, ballot stuffing, liquor parties, etc., you name it; was tried in

order to get their way onto the committees. The police had to come into the Gurdwara on several occasions. What a terrible shame and insult to the Gurus, the Maryada and the place of worship!

Organizational Setup

The AGPC when originally setup in Northern California the brainchild of the “3 Vaid” [9]; but officially set up on March 2, 2002. According to **Section 2.02 of AGPC Constitution** they will be charging membership dues of \$1,000 or up to 1% of the gross annual revenues of the gurdwara per year. AGPC claims they have 43 members allegedly as of December 2006! All the traveling and hobnobbing with all other goonda leaders with the sangat’s money without ever being accountable is great indeed! **Now let us do the math; i.e., 43 [gurdwaras] X \$1,000 [each per year, minimum] = \$43,000 in annual dues, with absolutely no accountability to anyone except to themselves not to mention some gurdwaras paying several thousands dollars in annual dues.** Zero accountability to anyone except themselves. This is indeed a great business and what a country where criminals like these can thrive! According to **Section 2.03** the executive committee can nominate anybody it wishes based on contribution to Sikhism. The question is, what is the selection criteria and who judges the moral and ethical background of the nominated representative? The term for all executive members is supposedly 2 years but there is absolutely no mention about the expiration of the terms and how and when the replacements will be chosen! AGPC absolutely does not have any kind of panthic setup in the organizational structure. The AGPC constitution is a very poorly written document with too many loop holes and loose ends, probably purposely left so that the kingmakers can manipulate the organization. No wonder the kingmakers handpick people to be within the AGPC committee, so that they can keep strict control forever and have done exactly that so far!

Both on the East and the West Coast the SYOA & AGPC are involved in drug running [10] on a regular basis. Money does not grow on trees as the old saying goes, but in the case of the SYOA it does grow on the marijuana plants and from the pockets of the thousands of uneducated naïve working class Sikhs. **[Attached is the so-called Constitution of the AGPC]**

The Three Stooges!

Amarjit Singh: The overall leader of the above-mentioned trio [organizations] is Amarjit. All 3 [Amarjit, Pritpal and Ranjit] are classmates and after finishing high school managed to get fake diplomas [a one year course in Aryurvedic medicine – known as “Vaid” or generically “Quack”.....Necm Hakim Kathra Jaan! Neem Mulla Kathra Emaan!] and have been fooling the public by claiming to be full-fledged MD’s. This thug landed on the shores of the US in and around 1999-91. Amarjit is a Brahmin Dogra who is the illegitimate son of a servant woman who worked for the infamous traitor Dr. Sohan Singh [10] of the Panthic Committee. Amarjit simply landed illegally on the shores of the US, claiming publicly that the Panthic Committee had sent him as a spokesman in the US. If he really was sent by the Sohan Singh Panthic Committee then it is clear; that if, Sohan Singh turned out to be a traitor and is living very comfortably in Chandigarh, Panjab; a GOI

agent; so what does it say about Amarjit Singh! Furthermore Amarjit landed into the US with a huge cache of stolen cash [12]. No political group in Panjab has yet claimed to send this man as their legitimate spokesperson. The first person he stayed with as a guest was **Rajwant Singh** a dentist who is another GOI agent based out of Washington D.C. and the so-called president of SCORE another pro-GOI outfit. To day in the year 2007 after over a decade and a half one or two groups in Panjab may support him by distributing his panjabi lectures, but that still does not legitimize his status. No one knows his background, etc, and neither has he ever answered anyone's blunt query ever! On January 21, 2007 on a radio talk show in Toronto "Aji Di Awaz", when asked about his degree he replied that he had a doctorate in Economics. How many various Ph.D's and MD degrees does he posses and from which Universities? A self-proclaimed self-appointed leader who is sponsored by RAW has been living in the US since 1990 approximately. No political organization worth its salt can survive without money. Here is an organization "**Khalistan Affairs Center**" which IS NOT EVEN REGISTERED WITH THE US DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE UNDER A FOREIGN AGENTS REGISTRATION ACT AS A BODY ADVOCATING POLITICAL FREEDOM FOR THE SIKHS. KAC was supposedly co-founded by ex-political detainee Harpal Singh Cheema a human rights lawyer only recently deported to India. [12] Numerous and very serious questions arise out of this finding; which is if Mr. Cheema being a lawyer from Panjab was put behind bars on trumped charges allegedly why is Amarjit never touched by India or the US authorities? Amarjit's claim has always been that he is on the Indian government's most wanted list therefore his background must always be a secret! Bigger "heros" have come and gone and everyone's background eventually became public. This little, "zero" thinks he can be a hero forever! He never interacts with any US Congressmen or Senators for two reasons; one he is in no position to prove his real credentials, because he will be caught in his web of lies and two he has a pretty poor command of English. Amarjit on behalf of KAC has never publicly asked for money yet has been running this shadow organization for over 16 years. It seems very odd and very strange that for any single person to live in the US where it can cost excess of at least \$30,000 a year not including all the air tickets flying all over the US [the air tickets which based on the amount of flying he does will be well over another \$200,000 in the last 15 years] for 15 years can add up to excess of \$500,000. Who is paying Amarjit all this money? He does not have a job and has never worked a single day in the last 15-16 years he's been living in the US. One reason is obvious i.e., a man with a high school diploma from a Panjabi medium school and another so-called certificate in Aruvvedic mumbo-jumbo will not get you anywhere! The SYOA does collect money, which is entirely handled by the Glen Rock-Gurdwara on the East Coast Trio- Gurbinder, Yadvinder & Harbajan, and there is absolutely no accountability since it is 100% cash. Pritpal Vaid and his gang on the West Coast do the SYOA and AGPC's membership drives and fund raising and pocket the funds in the same manner as the rest of the gang members. How much of the money over the last 15 years has been going into their personal accounts and how much goes into Amarjit and Pritpal's coffers is anybody's guess! Hundreds of Sikhs have asked Amarjit over and over again about his background but he refuses to answer except stating, "My father is Guru Gobind Singh and my birthplace is Anandpur Sahib"! That is a very evasive and vague answer for a so-called leader! The only followers he has are the primarily uneducated Sikhs who have entered the US illegally in the early 1990's. One

wonder's that there are other genuine Freedom Fighters who are not even allowed or are really scared for their lives to enter India, while the Glen Rock Trio & the Fremont Gang very non-chalantly keep going back and forth to India and make pretty vocal statements on behalf of Khalistan and yet are never touched by the Indian authorities.

Pritpal Singh: Amarjit's classmate and friend on the West Coast who has his dirty hands inside the largest Gurdwara in the US, namely the Fremont Gurdwara. [Supposedly related to Jesse Singh of Computer fame of Los Angeles, CA] The AGPC and SYOA have controlled this gurdwara on the same lines as the Glen Rock Gurdwara in Northern NJ on the East Coast. Pritpal's other friends inside the Fremont Gurdwara have been people like "**Jandi**" the drug lord and kingmaker of the Fremont Gurdwara till 2005. Jandi a truck driver who built a 10,000 sq.ft., home for several million dollars is again a close friend of the AGPC leadership. Jandi was arrested in 2004 for drug trafficking and various other charges. This same man and his goondas assaulted several of the senior members and older people inside the divan hall of the Fremont Gurdwara also. "**Chela/Jassi/Jaspreet**" is another henchman of the same group in the Fremont gurdwara. Chela owns the Amritsar Times newspaper along with **Harjo. Singh Khalsa** who is an insurance agent. The third being **Jasjit Singh {Fremont Gang}** a truck driver and a insurance agent. Chela and Jasjit Singh operate the Amritsar Times as the directors. Dalip Singh Sarna is the Editor.

Ranjit Singh: This character owns a gas station and lives in NY City and is deeply involved in the Richmond Hill Gurdwara, Queens, NY and has been actively involved in several pre-planned physical assaults on other members. He is the third **Vaid** also a classmate of Pritpal and Amarjit. He has been the director of an organization called, "Voices for Freedom", also run by Vaid Amarjit!

One of the common denominator among the all the West Coast and East Coast characters is that most of them have been athletes in various sports and all are from the same City of Patiala, Panjab, and knew each other. Each and everyone of them being unqualified to do anything academic or technical when landing illegally into the US quickly spread their tentacles and befriended the mostly working class Sikhs by manipulating the Sikh masses in name of Sikh freedom and milking them dry through the control of the Gurdwaras. This has been a great cash [holy] cow.

The Leading Pakandi Goonda's

Gurinderjit Singh Kamboj alias Manna: The Goonda leader/kingmaker of the Glen Rock Gurdwara. Manna bought a Shell gas station in East Orange with the entire help of an uncle [NY City contractor] who funded him and let him put the station in his own name. Little did the uncle know that he would be tricked and kicked out and his entire savings would be stolen by Manna? A Trust fund has been set up in his dead brother's name where other monies from all their other various collections also go. From this trust fund they help themselves to setup further in business while the poor uneducated Sikh suckers keep giving these rascals a continuous flow of money. Today he and his other 2 partners in crime own over a dozen gas stations in and around the Paramus area on New Jersey. Manna has been living with a Muslim Mistress called "**Annie**", for several years and continues to do so even though he is married to a woman 13-14 years younger than him and has 3 children.

Yadvinder Singh Kamboj alias Kuku: Manna's business partner and shadow and currently [2006] the President of the Glen Rock Gurdwara and President of the AGPC till late 2006. This fellow is a partner in crime and a long time confidant of Manna. In a way his mouthpiece! Not to be outdone Kuku has a Spanish mistress called "Maria". Even though he is also married with 3 children but that does not deter him from womanizing.

Harbajan Singh Saini: Current [2006] Chairman of the Glen Rock Gurdwara. Partner and associate of Manna & Kuku. Furthermore he is Jaswant Singh Saini's nephew who owns the Ashoka restaurant in the Iselin/Edison area, NJ. This criminal has been charged with attempted rape and assault of a Caucasian woman in the mid 1990's in central NJ while attempting to run a failed restaurant set up by his uncle Jaswant Singh. His father being a Granthi Harbajan knew the very basics of Sikhism, so he can talk the talk and walk the walk to impress his comrades the uneducated Sikh masses. [An open beard and being very vocal in the public forum is a pre-requisite to be a good goonda leader; which all of them possess]. Harbajan's cousin sister [Jaswant S. Saini's daughter] eloped with a Muslim boy in 2004-5.

Current Status: Early 2007

As of summer 2006 AGPC has renewed its energies in re-activating its membership drive so that they can claim to the outside world that they are a huge organization, especially to impress the Panjab-Haryana SGPC which is as corrupt as the AGPC. The unscrupulous so-called Jathedar Vedanti of the Akal Takht was specially invited in early summer of 2006 by the same Yadvinder and Gurinderjit, and they met to try to get the SGPC to bless the AGPC as a national and/or an international religious organization.

The question does arise that an organization which is completely opaque and does not even share its constitution in public, whether they are genuine or a front for some other hidden agenda which is only best known to the organizing goondas? Any organization worth its salt will always try to be transparent accountable to the public at all times especially one that is religious. But in this case we have a bunch of monetarily greedy, politically motivated goondas trying to form an association of religious institutions; how and why? There are really no more than a 100 sangat run gurdwaras in the US. The rest are either Baba/Deras [e.g. Nanaksar, Gobind Sadans], or Caucasian Sikhs who have registered their homes as places of worship and then there are hundreds of registered gurdwaras in private homes by Sikhs from Panjab simply to acquire green cards. In San Francisco, CA and New York City alone have over 100 of these illegal gurdwaras registered in private homes. [E.g. The Makhan Shah Lobana Gurdwara is privately owned by 7 people one of their colleagues includes the other goonda leader [master] Mohinder Singh Lobana an ex-village school teacher with a terrible reputation who recently has got onto the Queens City Council. Who needs enemies when you have screwball nuts like him! Is the plan of AGPC to make all the above various types of institutions members? Furthermore some gurdwaras are becoming members simply so that the SYOA goonda element [SYOA Cells] is neutralized, because if too many questions are raised by the right thinking individuals in reference to AGPC, the SYOA goondas in their respective gurdwaras start threatening and the committees do not want trouble namely physical violence and/or to upset their own petty positions and the general status quo.

1. AGPC claims they have placed BA/MA qualified Parcharaks in several institutions in Panjab and the US. Harbhajan Singh Sami personally had a hand in helping installing and getting a green card for the infamous Thug Daljit Singh of Chicago [who was caught red handed with another woman in a Motel room in Chicago in 2005]! Are these Parcharaks or RSS/GOI agents in garb of being preachers? Who qualified these Parcharaks whether they can conduct themselves based strictly on the Guru Granth Sahib and the Rehat Maryada and furthermore if they are honest individuals with high morals and scruples? Have they gone through any kind rigorous test or formal examination to test their credentials?
2. AGPC without any approval from various gurdwara committees collected and has spent over \$30,000 of various gurdwara funds [sangats hard earned money between 2003-2005] on purchasing books for gurdwara libraries without consulting anyone. Are the books panthic/sikh centered or not, is anyone's wild guess? All book sellers and publishers give large discounts; as high as 30-50% off in many cases especially when books are bought by the container load. How much money was spent and how much was a kickback to AGPC is anybody's guess?
3. AGPC celebrated the 400th anniversary of the Guru Granth Sahib in Pakistan in 2005 supposedly! What did the celebration entail and at what level? Except for taking photographs with Muslim Pakistani state level ministers not much was achieved. Was it celebrated with the help of other Government of India agents like Harbans Lal Saxena [a rabid Hindu extremist] and Ganga Singh Dhillon? Who and how much was spent on the whole affair and where is the accountability of the funds? If they cannot be accountable then maybe RAW is funding them with enough money that they do not have to answer to the sangat! **These goons are not fools to ever spend a penny of their own money!**
4. AGPC's president for life Yadvinder Singh Kamboj-Kuku [earlier Gurinderjit Singh Kamboj-Manna was the president and also village thug-Mohinder Singh Lobana] has personally invited a Pakistani minister to his residence in Paramus, NJ. and thrown a huge party not to long ago. Yet Yadvinder is never stopped or questioned or arrested by the Indian authorities when entering India, in reference to his association with the Pakistanis or all the Khalistani sloganeering! Why?
5. AGPC owners Manna, Kuku along with Harbhajan have collected money by fund raising on dozens of occasions on behalf of people like Kulvir Singh Barapind, Harpal Singh Cheema and many others who had been incarcerated in jail in California till 2006 and now in March 2007 tortured and given 5 years of rigorous imprisonment in India again.[The funds they have collected over the last 15 years runs into millions of dollars all primarily in hard cash.]. There has been absolutely no accountability of all the money collected by these crooks on behalf of all these refugees/prisoners of conscience. Furthermore after all of AGPC's fruitless effort those poor Sikhs were deported nevertheless, back to India. Harpal Singh Cheema's wife [13] who still lives in the US has been very vocal and blamed the SYOA and the AGPC gangs as the cause for getting her husband deported. The monies collected on their behalf, which amounts of hundreds of Thousands of Dollars have gone into buying fancy Homes and Gas Stations. **What a nice scam!**
6. AGPC co-head Pritpal Vaid was involved in helping the Muslims of Pakistan [Feb, 2007] create an "Islamic Jantri Calendar" by Pail Singh Purewal to correct

their religious dates. Hasn't Pal Singh Purewal done enough damage with the, "Nanakshahi Jantri Calendar" for one lifetime for the Sikhs that he is now being used by these rascals to do more damage to the Muslims also?

7. The AGPC has also co-organized with some other ^{retarded} friends and floated, American Sikh Consultative Forum [ASCF] a paperless organization which is a loose group of New Jersey and New York Gurdwaras such as Glen Rock Gurdwara, Makhan Shah Lobana, Dashmesh Darbar Afghani Sikh, United Sikhs and few others who cannot function under the scrutiny of the proper professional panthic based organizations and be transparent to the general sangat. This ASCF is another fraud being perpetrated on the gullible Sikh Sangat. This is on the same lines as the so-called International Sikh Consultative Forum [ISCF] which is run by another GOI agent namely Dr. Jasdev Singh Rai of the UK. The purpose behind forming this new organization is that in case AGPC does not carry any weight or stops functioning, the leaders of AGPC & SYOA have a fall back position and work through other organizations and continue the charade that they are the true representatives of the Sikh Diaspora in the US.

Due to more recent questioning of the organizational setup the AGPC trio has decided to put a hand picked leader who they can control [Baljinder Singh Brar of Dashmesh Darbar, Carteret, New Jersey is the latest 'Bakra' and a Tarnalawala Baba follower]; thereby there will be less opposition to the continued leadership by the same gang for the last several years. A street smart move based on their petty village mentality. The above activities are so mundane and of an ordinary caliber that even if real and genuine, hardly constitute and behoove a so-called national organization! They are pretty ingenious, when it comes to collecting money. Banquets and other types of subtle fundraising functions are done constantly in the name of saving the Sikhs and all the money goes into their personal pockets

Conclusion and Challenge?

The final challenge to the Sikh sangat in the US, is if all the above information is wrong, then all these nefarious characters can very easily clarify themselves by being honest and candid about who they really are; where they came from; how they came into the United States of America; what is their individual personal, educational and political background? How do they operate their so-called organization? Why do they not show complete accountability on their finances to the Sikh public? How did they manage to purchase their respective multiple Gas Stations and multi-million dollar Homes? The ease with which these folks get away with so much; it is very clear that they are not only double agents to save their own skin, i.e., working for the Indian government and spilling the beans to the FBI within the US also, but triple agents as these ultra greedy criminals are really working to fill their own pockets and do not give a damn about the Sikh panth or anybody else! Everything you see about them is only a charade and facade to continue their blood sucking business. Amarjit Vaid has been the editor of the "Chardi Kala" a Panjabi newspaper from Canada for many years, therefore KAC; SYOA & AGPC have a perfect media outlet to respond to all the above statements! Some of the key figures involved in the SYOA are running "Amritsar Times" a Panjabi newspaper from

California and another out of Canada, "Sanjh Savera". They probably will never respond; in which case all the above **will be** the truth. If they **do** respond the public **will** can judge for themselves who these characters really are and what is their real modus operandi?

Notes:

- [1] RAW: Research and Analysis Wing akin to the American Central Intelligence Agency
- [2] Third Agency: The super secret intelligence unit created by Indira Gandhi with the specific plan in mind which was to subvert all dissent by any and all minorities particularly the Sikhs [akin to the NSA in the US].
- [3] Cats: Criminals purposely let out of jails with the explicit understanding between them and the police that they will murder at the police's behest whenever required at their whim and will but will be protected by the police at the same time.
- [4] **Reference:** Rozana spokesman May 5, 2007; SSP Ajit S. Sandhu, personally oversaw the assassination of several hundred innocent Sikh youth. Since he was a marked man the Government of India provided him safe haven, like they have done for thousands of other police officials in North America.
- [5] AGPC: American Gurdwara Parbandhak Committee
- [6] SYOA: practically all the members are middle aged well in their late 40's and over and definitely not young and furthermore SYOA is not even a registered organization in the US.
- [7] These criminals were also known as the "red brigade"
- [8] Goondas: Anyone who has the capacity to carry out physical violence [Akin to Goons]
- [9] 3 Voids: Amarjit Singh, Washington D.C., Pritpal Singh, Fremont, CA & Ranjit Singh, Queens, NY all classmates at Aruyvedic Neem Hakim Kathra Jaan College of Village K: la Chor, Jalandhar, Panjab
- [10] **Reference:** East Bay Express, San Francisco, CA, November 19, 2003: A major investigative report on some of the active members of the SYOA & AGPC
- [11] Dr. Sohan Singh Boparai once heading the Panthic Committee and had a huge organization, fighting for Sikh independence but turned out to be traitor and today is comfortably and quietly living in Chandigarh. Due to his leadership tens of thousands of young Sikhs got tortured & murdered by GOI.
- [12] **Reference:** Awaaza Kaum June 1995; Amarjit Vaid was part of the group which robbed a bank in Ludhiana, Panjab in the late 1980's. Monies which were to be used for Panthic work instead got stolen by Amarjit Vaid. [See insert-attachment]
- [13] **Reference:** New America Media; News Feature, Camille T. Taiara Aug 7, 2006, After Years In Limbo-More Immigrants Detainees Choose Voluntary Deportation.

**Remarks of Dr. Gurmit Singh Aulakh
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State and Individual Terrorism In Perspective and Retrospect: Indian Genocide against Sikhs and Other Minorities

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Brigadier General Ismat Saeed, President of the London Institute of South Asia,

Directors and Members of the London Institute:

Thank you for inviting me to participate in your forum on state and individual terrorism. I am pleased to have this opportunity to share information about Indian terrorism against Sikhs and other minorities. It is great to be back here at the London Institute of South Asia.

James Madison, the primary author of the U.S. Constitution and the fourth President of the United States, warned of the "tyranny of the majority." That is why the U.S. constitution has strong protections for minority and individual rights and a republican, decentralized governmental structure. India, the self-proclaimed "world's largest democracy," is proof that Madison was absolutely right. Without effective protection for individual rights and those of communities and states, the majority runs roughshod over the rights, interests, and lives of the minorities. India does this to Sikhs, Muslims, Christians, Bodos, Assamese, Manipuris, Dalits, and so many others.

India proclaims itself to be a democracy. However, the essence of democracy is the right to self-determination. That means more than just holding multiparty elections. It doesn't matter to Sikhs, Christians, Muslims, Dalits, or other minorities who wins elections. The repression continues. As U.S. Representative Edolphus Towns has said, "The mere fact that they have the right to choose their oppressors does not mean they live in a democracy."

The Council of Khalistan, which I head, often cites the statistics on India's genocide. They are startling. A report issued by the Movement Against State Repression (MASR) shows that India admitted that it held 52,268 political prisoners under the repressive "Terrorist and Disruptive Activities Act" (TADA) even though it expired in 1995. Many have been in illegal custody since 1984. There has been no list published of those who were acquitted under TADA and those who are still rotting in Indian jails. According to Amnesty International, there are tens of thousands of other minorities being held as political prisoners. MASR report quotes the Punjab Civil Magistracy as writing "if we add up the figures of the last few years the number of innocent persons killed would run into lakhs [hundreds of thousands.]"

According to former Member of Parliament Simranjit Singh Mann, the Indian government has murdered over a million Sikhs since 1982. This aligns with a threat made by the former Speaker of the Lok Sabha, Balram Jakhar, who said, "If we have to kill a million Sikhs to preserve our territorial integrity, so be it." In 1994, according to the U.S. State Department, the Indian regime paid more than 41,000 cash bounties to police officers for killing Sikhs. Over 50,000 Sikh youth were killed and secretly cremated by the police as "unidentified bodies." The person who exposed the secret cremation policy, Sardar Jaswant Singh Khaira, was arrested and murdered in police custody.

Even protesting corruption will get you in trouble. Recently, activist Anna Hazare, yoga guru Baba Ramdev, and their followers were forcibly removed from the Gandhi cremation site after "hundreds of people" gathered in Delhi to hear Hazare condemn the police crackdown against Baba Ramdev, who continues his fast in his home town of Haridwar, according to the BBC. Mr. Hazare also held a fast against corruption in April. Baba Ramdev is demanding the return of bribe money held overseas.

Honest people have joined hands to speak out about corruption. The people of India are fed up with the corruption, bribery, and the accumulation of dirty money by the ruling class. Congress Party leader Sonia Gandhi and her son Rahul were recently seen in Switzerland taking care of their secret Swiss bank account where they keep their black money.

Sadly, the leadership of Punjab is no better. The Badal family also accumulated large amounts of black money through corruption. It is also stashed away in other countries, like the money of the Gandhis. Chief Minister Badal's son Sukhbir recently opened a massive hotel of over 1,000 rooms in Gurgaon (Haryana), a suburb of Delhi, worth thousands of crores of rupees. He didn't even open the hotel in Punjab and create jobs in Punjab. The money came from corruption. Mr. Badal's late wife, Surinder Kaur, could tell just how much money was in a bag just by lifting it. This is how deeply the corruption is rooted. That money was collected selling jobs to the people of Punjab. Even driver jobs were sold for black money. The whole government machinery was so corrupt they had a name for bribery. It was called "fee for service."

In addition to its genocidal policies against the Sikhs, India has also killed more than 300,000 Christians in Nagaland, over 100,000 Muslims in Kashmir, tens of thousands of other Christians and Muslims throughout the country, and tens of thousands of Tamils, Assamese, Manipuris, and others. The Indian Supreme Court called the Indian government's murders of Sikhs "worse than a genocide."

But these statistics only tell part of the story.

Just last month, we observed the 27th anniversary of the Golden Temple massacre of June 1984. Over 20,000 Sikhs in all lost their lives in these attacks, known as Operation Blue Star. More than 100 Sikh boys ages 8 to 13 were taken outside and asked if they supported Khalistan, the independent Sikh homeland. When they answered "*Bole So Nihal*," they were brutally shot to death. The Indian army even shot bullet holes into an original copy of the *Guru Granth Sahib*,

the Sikh holy scripture, written in the time of the Gurus. The *Guru Granth Sahib* was granted guruship by the last of the 10 Sikh gurus, Guru Gobind Singh. They removed ancient writings from the Gurus and others of that time. These writings have never been returned. On June 7, with the fighting essentially over, they burned the central library complex, destroying many priceless manuscripts. This is an act of terrorism against the Sikh people.

Sadly, this is typical of the way that India's so-called "democracy" operates. India is a Fascist state under a democratic façade. Sikhs such as Rajiv Singh Randhawa, the late Sukhbir Singh Osan (founder of Burning Punjab), and others would later find themselves being harassed and threatened by the Indian government for peaceful activities. Jathedar Gurdev Singh Kaunke was murdered by the police. No one has been held accountable. The driver for Baba Charan Singh had his legs tied to two jeeps which then drove off in opposite directions, tearing him apart. The late governor of Punjab, Surendra Nath, was paid a billion dollars to organize and support covert state terrorism in Punjab and Kashmir. According to the *Washington Times*, India is fomenting cross-border terrorism in the Pakistani province of Sindh.

Indian agents often dress up as militants to foment terrorist incidents. In one incident, 35 Sikhs were killed in the village of Chitthisinghpura. Two independent human-rights investigations in Punjab – one by the Punjab Human Rights Organization and another by the International Human Rights Organization – as well as an investigation by reporter Barry Bearak of the *New York Times* showed that Indian agents disguised as militants carried out the attack. In his introduction to Madeline Albright's book *The Mighty and the Almighty*, former U. S. President Bill Clinton wrote: "During my visit to India in 2000, some Hindu militants decided to vent their outrage by murdering 38 Sikhs in cold blood. If I hadn't made the trip, the victims would probably still be alive. If I hadn't made the trip because I feared what religious extremists might do, I couldn't have done my job as president of the United States." The people who carried out the massacre spoke Hindi and said "Jai Hind," which means "Long live India."

One egregious case of Indian intelligence carrying out violence to harm the Sikh Nation was the Air India bombing of 1985. Air India flight 182 was blown up off Ireland in 1985. It was on its way from Toronto to Bombay. It was supposed to be blown up at the London airport when no passengers would be aboard, but due to delays it blew up over Ireland.

Shortly after the bombing occurred, two Canadian journalists, Zuhair Kashmeri of the *Toronto Globe and Mail* and Brian McAndrew of the *Toronto Star*, wrote an excellent book on the case entitled *Soft Target*, which proves that the Indian government itself carried out the bombing. This finding is confirmed in a book by former Member of Parliament David Kilgour entitled *Betrayal: The Spy Canada Abandoned*.

In the book, Kashmeri and McAndrew quoted a Canadian Security Investigative Service (CSIS) investigator as saying, "If you really want to clear the incidents quickly, take vans down to the Indian High Commission and the consulates in Toronto and Vancouver, load up everybody and take them down for questioning. We know it and they know it that they are involved."

In spite of this, former DGP of the Punjab police K.P.S. Gill, who is responsible for the murders of tens of thousands of Sikhs, including Jaswant Singh Khalra and Jathedar Kaunke, recently made the ridiculous claim that the Canadian government was involved in the incident. Mr. Gill

also falsely claimed that the United States and the United Kingdom were fomenting “militancy,” according to the *Tribune* of Chandigarh. This shows the lengths the Indian regime will go to to cover up its own culpability.

The book shows that within hours after the flight was blown up, the Indian Consul General in Toronto, Surinder Malik, called in a detailed description of the bombing and the names of those he said were involved, information that the Canadian government didn’t discover until weeks later. Mr. Malik told them that they should check the passenger manifest for an “L. Singh” because he was responsible -- before there was any public knowledge of the bombing!

According to Wikipedia, on June 20, 1985, two days before the flight, “at 1910 GMT, a man paid for the two tickets with \$3,005 in cash at a CP ticket office in Vancouver. The names on the reservations were changed; ‘Jaswand Singh’ became ‘M. Singh’ and ‘Mohinderbel Singh’ became ‘L. Singh.’” Note that this is the same name that Consul General Malik told investigators to look for – “L. Singh.”

It would later come out in newspaper reports that a Sikh named Lal Singh told the press that he was offered “two million dollars and settlement in a nice country” by the Indian regime to give false testimony in the case.

Malik had also pulled his wife and daughter off the flight suddenly at the last minute, on the feeble excuse that the daughter had a paper for school. A friend of Consul General Malik’s who was a car dealer also cancelled at the last minute.

According to Kashmeri and McAndrew, “Curiously, [Consul General] Malik knew more details about the two blasts than did the police investigators....Malik said that while one of the suspects was booked to Japan, the other was booked to Toronto and onwards to Bombay. He also said that the two checked their bomb-laden bags but did not board the flight themselves. In sum, Malik had painted a scenario of the double sabotage operation that was a near perfect account of what the Mounties would take weeks to fathom.

[Consul General] Malik continually fed the *Globe* information pointing to Sikh terrorists as the source of the bombs. He was behind another story six days after the crash, this one headlined ‘Air-India pilot reported given parcel by Sikh.’” Kashmeri and McAndrew also wrote, “Malik pressured the *Globe* to publish this story, adding that it could be used to make a stronger case for blaming the Air-India and Narita bombings on the Babbar Khalsa leader. Malik also decried the Canadian system of justice for failing to come up with a quick solution to the bombings. ‘In India we would have had a confession by now. You people have too many civil and human-rights laws,’ he complained.”

The main backer of the group that was supposedly behind the Air India bombing had received a \$2 million loan from the State Bank of India just before the plane was attacked, according to Soft Target. The year after the bombing, three Indian consuls general were asked to leave the country. At the time of the bombing, the Congress Party needed the Sikhs as scapegoats to win votes on a law-and-order platform. The attack also served as justification for the government to shed more Sikh blood.

Tehelka.com, a respected Indian online news service, confirmed this in its report "Breaking the Silence". Tehelka reported that the Indian regime murdered its own agent, Talvinder Singh Parmar, a Babbar Khalsa leader, to keep him from exposing government involvement in the bombing.

In his book *Betrayal: The Spy That Canada Abandoned*, former Canadian Member of Parliament David Kilgour reports on a Canadian-Polish double agent named Ryszard Paszkowski, who was approached by representatives of the Indian regime, who asked him to participate in a second bombing because "the first one worked so well."

There is also evidence suggesting Indian government involvement in the bombing of the parliament building in New Delhi a few years ago. Among other things, no officials were killed. The only victims were low-caste people. Although Prime Minister Singh blamed the December 2008 attack in Bombay on the government of Pakistan, saying that only the government had the resources to carry out such an attack, India's government also has such resources and it has a pattern of engaging in such attacks (such as the Golden Temple attack, Air India, Chithisinghpura, and others) in the guise of minorities. The organization that claimed responsibility for the attacks was previously unheard of.

Even I have been called a terrorist by the Indian government, despite the public commitment of the Council of Khalistan, which I lead, to liberating Khalistan, the Sikh homeland, by democratic, peaceful, and nonviolent means. What sounds more like terrorism to you, our peaceful agitation for freedom or a pattern of violent repression of which these acts are emblematic?

India has sent its agents all over the world, including some Sikhs, to infiltrate Sikh organizations and Gurdwaras and to undermine the Sikh cause. They have set some of them up in fancy offices that are never used. These agents aim to destroy our religion, our culture, or our birthright of freedom.

In 2009, seven bomb explosions in Jaipur, the capital of Rajasthan, killed 65 people and injured over 200. India blames Bangladeshis, but there is a long history of Indian intelligence carrying out acts of this type themselves to set minorities against each other.

On September 21, 2007 in Amritsar, a Sikh woman named Lakhbir Kaur held a press conference, which was reported in the *Tribune* newspaper of Chandigarh, in which she stated that her brother, Kinder Singh, age 20, a truck driver, had been killed in a fake encounter by the police "for no reason." Kinder Singh was "pulled out of a truck in Shivpuri, Madhya Pradesh, and shot dead," according to Colonel G.S. Sandhu, chairman of the Majha Ex-Servicemen Human Rights Front and Aapna Punjab, a non-governmental organization. Colonel Sandhu demanded a full investigation of the affair and that compensation for Kinder Singh's killing be paid to his family.

The police claimed that Kinder Singh was Jaspal Singh, a "militant" who had a price of Rs. 5 lakh on his head. But Jaspal Singh was sitting next to Lakhbir Kaur at her press conference. Yet police files show Jaspal Singh as having been killed by police. Unfortunately, this has been a common occurrence.

Another Indian operation, carried out through organizations such as the Rashtriya Swayamsewak Sangh, formed in support of the Italian Fascists, is the murder of missionary Graham Staines and his two young sons by 60 to 70 Hindus chanting "Victory to Hanuman." All of these events were carried out by Indian forces. India seeks to kill all non-Hindus in order to enforce Hindu Rashtra on all the people.

Some of the Indian government's atrocities include the killings of 6 Sikhs in Kashmir in February, 2001; beheading of a Sikh in Kashmir in March, 2001; destruction of 6 Mosques in Kanpur, U P, and Bhilwara (Asind), Rajasthan.

What has happened to the Sikhs is bad enough. If it were the full extent of India's terrorism and tyranny, that would be reason enough to condemn them. Unfortunately, Sikhs have not been the only victims.

Christians have suffered a wave of violence at the hands of India ever since Christmas 1998. There have been many reports of priests being murdered and nuns being raped. At least one nun was even made to drink her own urine. Christian churches have been burned. Christian schools and prayer halls have been attacked.

According to the *Christian Post*, such attacks are increasing. According to the Global Council of Indian Christians, the state of Karnataka alone has registered 87 such cases in 20 months. That is just one state.

There have been numerous attacks on Christian worship services in which people have been beaten. Many of these attacks have occurred inside homes in the places of worship of Christians while people were worshipping within the privacy of their homes and churches.

In one such case near the village of Barakhama, 415 of 450 homes belonging to Christians have been burned to the ground. The police, in many cases, refuse to either file FIRs or pursue the matter with seriousness. In many instances, cases have been booked against the victims.

Missionary Joseph Cooper was beaten so severely he had to spend a week in an Indian hospital – after which the government kindly threw him out of the country. No one has been brought to justice for the beating of Joseph Cooper, and only one flunky has been brought to account for the Staines murder.

The *Christian Post* reported that in December 2005, three Christians were beaten up while distributing religious tracts. This parallels the legal problems that have beset Rajiv Singh Randhawa, the sole witness to the kidnapping of Jaswant Singh Khaira, who, among other things, has been arrested for trying to hand a piece of paper to the British Foreign Secretary.

After attacks on Christians on January 24, 2001, Father Dominic Immanuel went on record thanking Sikhs for protecting the Christians.

A few years ago, two church workers and a teenage boy were shot at while they prayed. The boy was injured. Two Christian missionaries were beaten with iron rods while they rode their bicycles home. A Christian cemetery in Port Blair was vandalized.

The violent, Hindu nationalist Rashtriya Swayamsewak Sangh (RSS), which was founded in support of the Fascist movement, published a booklet detailing how to file false criminal cases against Christians and other religious minorities. The RSS objects to the presence of missionaries in India.

The police even broke up a Christian religious festival with gunfire!

Kashmir is a killing field where over 700,000 Indian troops carry out murders, torture, and other atrocities on a regular basis with impunity. This is in addition to half a million troops stationed in Punjab— a pretty neat trick, since India says its army only numbers a little less than a million soldiers. India refuses to allow Amnesty International, the Red Cross, or other organizations to operate in these troubled areas.

A Dalit constable was stoned to death after he entered a temple on a rainy day. A Dalit girl was blinded by her teacher for drinking water out of the common pitcher. Dalits are treated as subhuman even though they are Hindu. Dalits are denied land and forced to work in horrible conditions. They are routinely abused by higher castes with impunity. Dalit girls are routinely sold into sex slavery.

Perhaps this is why Dalits in extremely large numbers are converting to Christianity, to Buddhism, to Sikhism, and to other religions that do not recognize the caste system. That, in turn, is helping to fuel the laws being passed throughout India that prohibit anyone from converting to any religion other than Hinduism.

Indian journalist Tavleen Singh has reported in India's leading newsmagazine, *India Today*, that the Indian government created the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE), an organization that the U.S. government has identified as a "terrorist organization." According to Internet journalist Justin Raimondo, former Indian Defense Minister, George Fernandes, raised money and arms for the LTTE.

In Gujarat, the Chief Minister, Mr. Modi, presided over the murders of 2,000 to 5,000 Muslims while the police were ordered to stand by and do nothing, in a striking parallel to the Delhi massacres of Sikhs in 1984. One police official told the press that the massacre was pre-planned.

Lt. Col. Prasad Shrikant Purohit, a member of India's military intelligence, carried out bombings of the Samajhauta Express. The confession of a prisoner called Swami Aschmanad implicates Purohit in virtually all bomb blasts against the country's Muslim population, not just the Samajhauta bombing.

The only way that the minorities are going to escape this tyranny is by achieving their independence. But India refuses to allow a simple vote on the matter. Instead, it steps up the

repression any time any of the 17 freedom movements within its border seems to be gaining ground.

It is important to continue to stand for freedom in South Asia. As former President Bush has said, "Freedom is the birthright of every man, woman, and child." Without political power, nations, peoples, and religions perish.

The only way to achieve lasting peace, freedom, security, prosperity, dignity, and stability in South Asia is to allow the people of Punjab, Khalistan, of Kashmir, Nagaland, Tamil Nadu, and all the nations seeking their freedom from India to have their independence. Until such time, the atrocities of the Indian government against these and other minorities will continue unabated.



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OPEN LETTER TO CHIEF MINISTER BADAL

Fasts Against Corruption Show Disgust of Indians *Sikhs Are Slaves Under Indian Rule* Freedom Lies in the Heart of the Sikh Nation

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Dear Chief Minister Badal:

WAHEGURU JI KA KHALSA, WAHEGURU JI KI FATEH!

The corruption in India is starting to boil over. Activist Anna Hazare, yoga guru Baba Ramdev, and their followers were forcibly removed from the Gandhi cremation site after "hundreds of people" gathered in Delhi to hear Hazare condemn the police crackdown against Baba Ramdev, who continues his fast in his home town of Haridwar, according to the BBC. Mr. Hazare also held a fast against corruption in April. Baba Ramdev is demanding the return of bribe money held overseas.

Honest people have joined hands to speak out about corruption. The people of India are fed up with the corruption, bribery, and the accumulation of dirty money by the ruling class. Congress Party leader Sonia Gandhi and her son Rahul were recently seen in Switzerland taking care of their secret Swiss bank account where they keep their black money.

What a shame for the Gandhi family and the Congress Party, who claim to be the representatives of the people. While 80 to 90 percent of the population lives on less than a dollar a day, the Gandhis have billions of dollars stashed away in accounts outside India. They should bring that money back to India to invest in development, education, health, and other needs of the Indian people. That would be the right and wise thing to do.

It is a shame that the leadership of the Akali Dal, you and the Badal family, fall into the same category. You have also accumulated large amounts of black money through corruption. It is also stashed away in other countries, like the money of the Gandhis. Your son Sukhbir recently opened a massive hotel of over 1,000 rooms in Gurgaon (Haryana), a suburb of Delhi, worth thousands of crores of rupees. He didn't even open the hotel in Punjab and create jobs in Punjab. Where did the money come from? The obvious answer is corruption.

It was well known that your late wife, Surinder Kaur, could tell just how much money was in a bag just by lifting it. This is how deeply the corruption is rooted. That money was collected selling jobs to the people of Punjab. Even driver jobs were sold for black money. The whole government machinery was so corrupt they had a name for bribery. It was called "fee for service." When the Chief Minister is corrupt, the government officials below tend to become corrupt also.

Mr. Badal, you are in your 80s. You have serious health problems. We wish you a long life, but like all human beings, you will eventually die. All that money you have accumulated did not help your wife escape death.

It is time for you, Mr. Badal, to do your introspection. You should do your job honestly and earn your living by an honest day's work. As leader of the Akali Dal, you must be aware of the Sikh code of conduct: *Nam japna, kirat karni, wand shakna*. (Pray in the morning; earn a living honestly with your own hands; share with the needy.) You have betrayed this code. You have accumulated very large amounts of money by corruption and bribes. That money will not go with you. It will remain here when you go.

There is nothing wrong with making large sums of money by honest means. You have not done so by honest means. My advice to you and your son Sukhbir is to listen, learn, and help the people of Punjab to come out of poverty by investing in industry, education, health, and their other needs so that people can prosper.

Mr. Badal, you are aware that Sikhs are very hard-working people who feed India. According to the *Tribune* (Chandigarh), Sikhs provide about 50 percent of India's national wheat pool and 40 percent of the national rice pool, even though Punjab is only 1.3 percent of the area of India and Sikhs comprise only two percent of the population. Yet Sikh farmers are heavily debt-ridden and are committing suicide at an alarming rate. The people are under the control of the dishonest leaders because the leaders keep them poor by providing a subsistence level of food at a price of Rs3 per kilo. They do not even get the cost of production for their produce. Please use the resources of Punjab to rectify these conditions so that Punjab can be a prosperous state again, instead of storing huge amounts of money away out of the country for your personal use. Punjab is the land of the Gurus and the people who live there should not have to be hungry and deprived of the basic necessities of life. Sikh farmers must be free to sell their crops at fair prices on the world market.

Mr. Badal, I hope you will not take this as criticism, but as a wake-up call. These are the sad facts about the situation in Punjab.

As a Sikh, you always recite "*Raj Kare Ga Khalsa*." Without political power, the Sikh Nation cannot progress and the Sikh religion cannot thrive. As long as we remain under the slavery of India, it will continue its efforts to eradicate the Sikh religion. In Punjab, there is no freedom. As the late General Narinder Singh said, "Punjab is a police state." We need to free Khalistan, as declared by the Sikh Nation on October 7, 1987.

You have tested your power with the Indian government. They refused to change the punishment of Professor Bhullar, who was sentenced to death, despite the combined efforts of your government, the opposition, the SGPC, and the international Sikh community. The whole Sikh Nation cannot change the sentence of Professor Bhullar to life imprisonment. Dara Singh and others, the murderers of two Christian missionaries from Australia, were not hanged. When 20,000 Sikhs were murdered at the behest of the Indian government, no one was punished. Yet Professor Bhullar was sentenced to death for killing one person who had a hand in the murders of thousands of Sikhs in Punjab. It wasn't even a unanimous decision of the Supreme Court. Yet the whole Sikh Nation acting in unison can't get this reduced. This shows how India subjugates the Sikh Nation and people. If you can't even get one man's sentence reduced, then what kind of power do you have? If you want real power, you should support freedom for the Sikh Nation in a sovereign, independent Khalistan.

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The Honorable Mamata Banerjee
Chief Minister of West Bengal
30-B, Harish Chatterjee Street
Kolkata-700 026 West Bengal INDIA

Dear Chief Minister Banerjee:

Thank you for establishing Punjabi as the second official language of West Bengal. As you know, it is also one of the official languages of India.

We have always valued the friendship between the Sikhs and the people of West Bengal. This action cements that friendship and is an excellent example for other Indian states where Sikhs live.

On behalf of the Sikh Nation, I appreciate your action. Thank you very much.

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May 25, 2011

The Honorable Parkash Singh Badal
Chief Minister of Punjab
Chandigarh, Punjab, India

Dear Chief Minister Badal:

I am writing to express my condolences to you on the loss of your wife, Surinder Kaur. I know that this is a major loss for you and your family, and our prayers are with you in this difficult time.

Only God can give and take away life. We come and go according to God's will. Nevertheless, it remains difficult for those who are left behind. May Guru give strength to you and your family to bear this irreparable loss and may Guru give peaceful rest to this departed soul.

Sincerely,

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April 1, 2011

VAISAKHI DAY MESSAGE TO THE SIKH NATION

312th Sirjna Diwas: Vaisakhi Day Should Be Celebrated in Freedom

“In Grieb Sikhin Ko Deon Patshahi” – Guru Gobind Singh Sahib
Freedom Lies in the Heart of the Sikh Nation; No Force Can Suppress It

Dear Khalsa Ji:

WAHEGURU JI KA KHALSA, WAHEGURU JI KI FATEH!

On April 13, the Sikh Nation will celebrate Vaisakhi Day, observing the 312th anniversary of the day Guru Gobind Singh Sahib established the Khalsa Panth. I would like to take this opportunity to wish you and your family and friends and all Sikhs a Happy Vaisakhi Day. On Vaisakhi Day in 1699, Guru Gobind Singh Sahib baptized the five Panj Piaras and asked them to baptize him. He gave the blessing *“In grieb Sikhin ko deon Patshahi”* (“I give sovereignty to the humble Sikhs.”) Just two years after his departure from this earthly plane in 1708, the Sikhs established their own independent state in Punjab. Again in 1765, the Sikhs established Khalsa Raj under the leadership of various missals. Maharajah Ranjit Singh hoisted the Sikh flag at Lahore, the capital of the sovereign Sikh state, Punjab, in 1799. Sikhs ruled Punjab until 1849 when the British annexed Punjab. Sikhs lost the Sikh Raj due to the betrayal by Dogras, who had high positions under Maharajah Ranjit Singh. The Sikhs are a sovereign, independent people. The Sikh Nation declared its independence on October 7, 1987. We must unite to remove the yoke of slavery from our people. It is our obligation to free Khalistan.

We will be celebrating Vaisakhi Day this year with parades in every major city. There will be parades in Washington DC, New York, London, locations all around India, and cities around the world. In Washington, Dr. P.S. Ajrawat will be organizing a parade on April 9. In New York, the Sangat of the local Gurdwaras will be organizing a parade on April 30. I will be attending both parades, and I urge all Sikhs who can to attend these events or a Vaisakhi event near you. We must remind ourselves of our heritage by raising slogans of *“Khalistan Zindabad”* and beginning a *Shantmai Morcha* to liberate our homeland, Khalistan. Every morning and evening we recite, *“Raj Kare Ga Khalsa.”* Now is the time to act on it. Let us make a major statement by attending these parades.

The Sikhs in Punjab have suffered enormous repression at the hands of the Indian regime in the last 26 years. The Indian government has murdered over 250,000 Sikhs since 1984. Over 52,000 Sikhs sit in Indian jails as political prisoners without charge or trial, according to a report by the Movement Against State Repression (MASR.) Some of them have been in illegal custody for over 26 years! Recently, a Sikh activist named Sohan Singh of Sursingh was picked up by the police, tortured, and murdered in police custody. The police claimed it was a suicide. This is reminiscent of the bloody days of Beant Singh and K.P.S. Gill. We demand the prosecution of the officers responsible for the S. Sohan Singh murder and their dismissal from the police force. S. Sohan Singh will be remembered as a Sikh martyr.

According to the Punjab Human Rights Organization (PHRO), police picked up 50,000 Sikh youth, tortured them, murdered them, and secretly cremated them, declaring their bodies “unidentified.” Their remains were never even given to their families! During the November 1984 massacre of Sikhs, Hindu villagers burned down Sikh homes and a Gurdwara in the villages of Hond Chillar and Pataudi in the Rewari district of Haryana, killing 32 people according to the government of Haryana. It is just now being discovered! Sikh leaders have demanded an inquiry. Just two weeks ago, former Member of Parliament Sardar Atinder Pal Singh and two associates were arrested for asking for Khalistan. Five members of the Akali Dal (Panth Pandhiani) were arrested in the village of

Dhalleke on their way to a meeting. A few years ago, 35 Sikh activists of the Khalsa Dal were arrested for making speeches and raising the Khalistani flag. These are only a few instances of the brutal repression of the Sikhs by the Indian regime. India should be ashamed of the genocide it has committed against its minorities.

Change is in the air. The desire for Khalistan is alive and well in Punjab, Khalistan. The present Akali leader Parkash Singh Badal and his cronies are not working in the interest of the Khalsa Panth. He has enriched himself and his family and friends at the expense of the people of Punjab. He must be replaced. Even Chief Minister Badal's own family is turning on him. Recently, his nephew, former Punjab Finance Minister Manpreet Singh Badal, resigned and formed his own party, the Punjab People's Party (PPP.) He says that the PPP will be secular. The chief minister's brother, Sardar Gurdas Singh Badal, will run against him in his constituency. Manpreet Singh Badal seems honest, unlike his uncle, aunt, and cousin Sukhbir. He is a smart, well-educated young man. If Chief Minister Badal can't even protect the interests of his own family, how can he protect the interests of the Sikh Nation?

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Khalsa Ji, at this time of Vaisakhi, the whole Khalsa Panth must be energized to reestablish a sovereign, independent Khalsa Raj by freeing our homeland, Khalistan. It is time for Sikhs to look back at our history of persecution and suffering over the past two decades. The Hindu government of India wants minorities either subservient to Hinduism or be completely wiped out. In spite of the fact that the religions believe completely opposite things, Hindus desire to engulf Sikhism just as they did with Jainism and Buddhism in India. Yet Guru Nanak said that he was "neither Hindu nor Muslim."

On this auspicious occasion celebrating the establishment of the Khalsa Panth, we must remember our heritage and tradition of "*Khalsa Bagi Yan Badshah*" by committing ourselves to freeing our homeland, Punjab, Khalistan. The Indian government wants to break the will of the Sikh Nation and enslave them forever, making Sikhism a part of Hinduism. This can only be stopped if we free Punjab from Delhi's control and recommit ourselves to freeing our homeland, Punjab, Khalistan. Raise slogans of "*Khalsa Bagi Yan Badshah*," "*Raj Kare Ga Khalsa*," "*Khalistan Zindabad*," and "India out of Khalistan." Use this Vaisakhi to launch a *Shantmai Morcha* to liberate Khalistan. In spite of India's best efforts, they cannot arrest all of us. Their jails are overflowing as it is. The flame of freedom still burns brightly in Punjab in spite of the Indian government's brutal repression. Perhaps this is why India is afraid to hold a free and fair vote on the subject of independence. The essence of democracy is the right to self-determination. The time to achieve our independence is now. Always remember our heritage. Freedom for Khalistan is closer than ever. We must rededicate ourselves to achieving it.

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April 1, 2011

Jathedar Gurbachan Singh
Jathedar of the Akal Takht Sahib
Golden Temple, Darbar Sahib
Amritsar, Punjab, India

Dear Jathedar Sahib:

I am writing to you about a matter of grave concern to the Sikh Nation. As the Jathedar of the Akal Takht Sahib, your job is to be the guardian of the Sikh religion. As you know, on March 14, Sikh activist Sardar Sohan Singh was murdered in police custody. This murder is an offense against the Sikh Nation and Sardar Sohan Singh's family.

The police officials responsible for this heinous crime have been identified as Mr. Manwinder Singh AIG and Inspector Nirmal Singh. Their act is unspeakably horrible. It is unacceptable. How can a Sikh murder another Sikh?

In addition, an SSP in Mohali forcibly took the turban off a Sikh. If Sikh police officials are taking turbans off a Sikh in Punjab, how can we complain about the removal of turbans at airports and other sites outside India?

Both of these sacrilegious acts are blasphemies against the Sikh religion and the Khalsa Panth. We hope that they will be prosecuted, but we must also protect the integrity of the Sikh religion. I respectfully urge you to issue a Hukam Nama excommunicating these three individuals from the Sikh religion so that in the future, Sikhs will be careful to respect other Sikhs and the Sikh symbols.

Thank you for your attention.

Panth Da Sewadar,

Dr. Gurmit Singh Aulakh
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cc: SGPC President Avtar Singh Makkar ✓
Chief Minister Parkash Singh Badal
Prime Minister Manmohan Singh
Captain Amarinder Singh
Honorable Atinder Pal Singh, former Member of Parliament
Honorable Simranjit Singh Mann, former Member of Parliament
DGP Punjab



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Activists Arrested for Fast Against Corruption in India *Power Structure Is Seeped in Corrupt Money*

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According to former Member of Parliament Simranjit Singh Mann, the Indian government has murdered more than a million Sikhs since 1982. This aligns with a threat made by the former Speaker of the Lok Sabha, Balram Jakhar, who said, "If we have to kill a million Sikhs to preserve our territorial integrity, so be it." India has also killed more than 300,000 Christians in Nagaland, over 100,000 Muslims in Kashmir, tens of thousands of other Christians and Muslims throughout the country, and tens of thousands of Tamils, Assamese, Manipuris, Bodos, Dalits ("untouchables", the aboriginal people of India), and others. More than 50,000 Sikhs disappeared in Indian government's secret cremations. Their remains have never been given to their families. They attacked the holiest Sikh shrine, the Golden Temple in Amritsar, and 37 other Gurdwaras in June 1984, killing 20,000 Sikhs in that single operation. A report issued by the Movement Against State Repression (MASR) quotes the Punjab Civil Magistracy as writing "if we add up the figures of the last few years the number of innocent persons killed would run into lakhs [hundreds of thousands.]" The Indian Supreme Court called the Indian government's murders of Sikhs **"worse than a genocide."**

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Punjabi Made Second Official Language of West Bengal *Sikh Nation Thanks Chief Minister Banerjee, Bengal Government*

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Dr. Aulakh noted that there are many Sikhs living in West Bengal. In a letter to Chief Minister Banerjee, he wrote that "We have always valued the friendship between the Sikhs and the people of West Bengal. This action cements that friendship and is an excellent example for other Indian states." Dr. Aulakh encouraged every Indian to be like the Bengalis instead of carrying out continued repression against the Sikh Nation.

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WASHINGTON, D.C., June 27, 2011 – Dr. Gurmit Singh Aulakh, President of the Council of Khalistan, called for reduction of the sentence against Professor Devinder Pal Singh Bhullar, who was sentenced to death for killing one person who had a hand in the murders of thousands of Sikhs. He urged that Professor Bhullar be released. "Why should Professor Bhullar remain in custody when so many others are free?" he asked. "Professor Bhullar has already served 16 years," Dr. Aulakh said. "That is more than the time served by those sentenced to life imprisonment," he said. "It is time to free Professor Bhullar," he said.

Dr. Aulakh noted that Dara Singh and others, the murderers of two Christian missionaries from Australia, were not hanged. Dara Singh, a reported member of the militant Hindu Bajrang Dal, was involved in the murder of Graham Staines and his two young sons by a mob of 60 to 70 Hindu militants chanting "Victory to Hanuman," a Hindu god with the face of a monkey. They surrounded the Staines family while they slept in their jeep and burned them to death. Dara Singh was the only person punished.

"When 20,000 Sikhs were murdered in Delhi and other cities after Indira Gandhi's assassination at the behest of the Indian government, no one was punished," said Dr. Aulakh. "Yet Professor Bhullar was sentenced to death. He was tortured into confessing," Dr. Aulakh said. Professor Bhullar's best friends were killed and father was disappeared by the Punjab police in 1991. His family has been repeatedly harassed by the police. Professor Bhullar was arrested, detained and tried under the repressive Terrorist and Disruptive Activities (Prevention) Act (TADA), which expired in 1995.

"The sentence wasn't even a unanimous decision of the Supreme Court," Dr. Aulakh noted. "Yet the whole Sikh Nation acting in unison cannot stop the judicial murder of Devinder Pal Singh Bhullar. This shows how India subjugates the Sikh Nation and people."

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"Only a free Khalistan will end this repression of the Sikh Nation," said Dr. Aulakh. "As long as we continue to live under Indian rule, India will continue its genocide and its efforts to eradicate the Sikh religion and the Sikh Nation. We cannot allow that to happen," he said. "The only way to stop it is to shake off the shackles of Indian slavery and liberate Khalistan," he said. "If the execution of Professor Bhullar is not stopped, it will expedite the liberation of Khalistan."

"Khalistan's freedom is nearer than ever," said Dr. Aulakh. "India is destined to fall apart soon." Last year, the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) predicted that India will break up by 2015. India is a multinational state thrown together by the British colonialists for their administrative convenience. The breakup of India is inevitable. "As Professor Darshan Singh, a former Jathedar of the Akal Takht, said, 'If a Sikh is not a Khalistani, he is not a Sikh'," Dr. Aulakh noted. "Two other Jathedars, Bhai Ranjit Singh and Joginder Singh Vedanti, have taken the same position. The Sikh Nation should listen to these Jathedars," he said. "It is time to liberate Khalistan."

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What: Protest Commemorating Indian Massacre of Sikhs at Golden Temple

When: Saturday, June 4, 2011, 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM

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Why: to remember the desecration of the Golden Temple and the massacre of Sikhs, to show support for Sikh victims of repression in Punjab, Khalistan, and to demonstrate support for a sovereign Khalistan

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Dr. Aulakh Speaks at Vaisakhi Parades in Surrey, DC, New York *Sikhs Celebrate Enthusiastically* Over 200,000 In Attendance at Surrey Parade

WASHINGTON, D.C., May 25, 2011 – More than 200,000 Sikhs attended the Vaisakhi Day parade in Surrey, British Columbia on April 23. It was one of numerous Vaisakhi parades around the world. In New York, over 60,000 attended and in Washington, DC, thousands were in attendance as well. Dr. Gurmit Singh Aulakh, President of the Council of Khalistan, was an invited speaker at all these parades. Many slogans of "Khalistan Zindabad" were raised. The Surrey parade was escorted by military units from the Canadian Army, Navy, and Air Force. They saluted the *Guru Granth Sahib* and they led the parade. The Sikh Motorcycle Club participated, wearing their turbans. The Canadian Armed Forces have allowed the Sikhs to wear turbans. The Sikh youth were encouraged to join the armed forces. On Sunday, the Defence Ministry came for recruitment at the Surrey Gurdwara.

Vaisakhi Day is the anniversary of the founding of the Khalsa Panth, one of the most significant days in the Sikh calendar. It is the national day of the Sikh Nation. Vaisakhi Day is one of the most joyous days in the Sikh calendar, celebrating the emergence of the Khalsa Panth as a distinct people. That memory is celebrated on Vaisakhi Day each year. Sikhs have been celebrating with devotion and reverence.

Guru Gobind Singh baptized the first five baptized Sikhs, known as the Panj Piaras, on Vaisakhi Day in 1699, then asked them to baptize him. He proclaimed the sovereignty of the Sikh Nation, declaring, "*In grieb Sikhin ko deon Patshahi*" ("I give sovereignty to the humble Sikhs.") Just two years after his departure from this earthly plane in 1708, the Sikhs, under the leadership of Baba Banda Singh Bahadur, established their own independent state in Punjab. Every morning and evening Sikhs recite "*Raj Kare Ga Khalsa*," meaning "the Khalsa shall rule," and "*Khalsa Bagi Yan Badshah*," meaning "either the Khalsa is in rebellion or the ruler." Sovereignty is the birthright of all people, and it is the heritage of the Sikh Nation.

Dr. Aulakh said that it is time for the entire Sikh Nation and the whole Sikh leadership to support Khalistan. "This would be the best way to show the true Sikh spirit," said Dr. Aulakh. "A committed Sikh will not back down in the face of repression. I urge all Sikhs to support those leaders who stand strong for a sovereign, independent Khalistan. It is our birthright," he said. "The time of Khalistan's liberation is near. India will fall apart soon," he said. "This office has worked unwaveringly for a sovereign Khalistan for almost 30 years," he noted.

A report issued by the Movement Against State Repression (MASR) shows that India admitted that it held 52,268 political prisoners under the repressive "Terrorist and Disruptive Activities Act" (TADA) even though it expired in 1995. Many have been in illegal custody since 1984. There has been no list published of those who were acquitted under TADA and those who are still rotting in Indian jails. According to Amnesty International, there are tens of thousands of other minorities being held as political prisoners. MASR report quotes the Punjab Civil Magistracy as writing "if we add up the figures of the last few years the number of innocent persons killed would run into lakhs [hundreds of thousands.]" According to Sardar Mann, the Indian government has murdered over a million Sikhs since 1982. India has also killed more than 300,000 Christians in Nagaland, over 100,000 Muslims in Kashmir, tens of thousands of other Christians and Muslims throughout the country, and tens of thousands of Tamils, Assamese, Manipuris, and others. The Indian Supreme Court called the Indian government's murders of Sikhs "**worse than a genocide.**"

"Khalistan's freedom is nearer than ever," said Dr. Aulakh. "India is destined to fall apart soon." Last year, the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) predicted that India will break up by 2015. India is a multinational state thrown together by the British colonialists for their administrative convenience. The breakup of India is inevitable.

"As Professor Darshan Singh, a former Jathedar of the Akal Takht, said, '*If a Sikh is not a Khalistani, he is not a Sikh*,'" Dr. Aulakh noted. "Two other Jathedars, Bhai Ranjit Singh and Joginder Singh Vedanti, have taken the same position," he said. "We must continue to pray for and work for our God-given birthright of freedom," he said. "Without political power, religions cannot flourish, repression continues, and nations perish. It is time to launch a *Shantami Morcha* for the liberation of Khalistan."

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Former Member of Parliament Arrested for Putting Up Banners for Khalistan *Sardar Atinder Pal Singh Longtime Khalistan Advocate*

WASHINGTON, D.C., April 1, 2011 – On February 27 in Jalandhar, former Member of Parliament Sardar Atinder Pal Singh, President of the Shiromani Akali Dal (Khalistani), was arrested along with four other members of his party while putting up banners supporting Khalistan. He was putting up the banners in preparation for a press conference about Khalistan. Sardar Atinder Pal Singh was elected to Parliament in 1986 as an independent from Patiala. Those arrested along with Atinder Pal Singh included Bibi Kamaljit Kaur, Sardar Waryam Singh, Sardar Jagtar Singh and Sardar Amandeep Singh. They were charged with sedition. They were released after a few days in custody.

The banners featured Sardar Atinder Pal Singh asking for votes and saying that if elected, he would help the Sikhs achieve a free Khalistan. The Indian courts have ruled that advocating Khalistan is not a crime. Further, the Indian Supreme Court has ruled that membership in any organization is not a crime unless the person engages in a criminal act.

While he was a Member of Parliament in 1986, Atinder Pal Singh asked why the Sikhs could not have an independent state. He has subsequently held well-attended seminars on the subject of Khalsitan. In 2005, 35 Sikh activists were arrested for making speeches and raising the Khalistani flag. The late General Narinder Singh, a former general in the Indian Army, said that "Punjab is a police state."

Dr. Gurmit Singh Aulakh, President of the Council of Khalistan, the government *pro tempore* of Khalistan, the Sikh homeland that declared its independence from India on October 7, 1987, condemned the arrest of Sardar Atinder Pal Singh and his associates. "This shows that basic democratic values like freedom of speech do not exist in India," he said. "If a former Member of Parliament can't put up banners and hold a press conference without getting arrested, then where is freedom of speech?" he said. "This act proves that General Narinder Singh was right. Only in a free Khalsitan will Sikhs be able to express themselves freely and worship freely," he said. "Why is the Indian regime afraid to settle the issue democratically and allow a free and fair vote on the issue of Khalistan?" he asked. "Does that reflect their democratic values? We salute Sardar Atinder Pal Singh and his associates for their tireless advocacy of freedom for Khalistan. We know that their work is bearing fruit."

The Central Intelligence Agency of the United States has stated that by 2015, it expects that India will disintegrate and become many countries. Kashmir is going to be free. As L.K. Advani said, "If Kashmir goes, India goes." India is not one nation, but many nations thrown together under one rule for administrative convenience. Such countries are doomed to fall apart, as Austria-Hungary, the Soviet Union, Czechoslovakia, and Yugoslavia show. "The time to liberate Khalistan is now," said Dr. Aulakh.

According to former Member of Parliament Simranjit Singh Mann, the Indian government has murdered over a million (1,000,000) Sikhs since 1982. This aligns with a threat made by the former Speaker of the Lok Sabha, Balram Jakhar, who said, "If we have to kill a million Sikhs to preserve our territorial integrity, so be it." The Movement Against State Repression (MASR) reports that 52,268 Sikhs are being held as political prisoners in India without charge or trial. Some have been in illegal custody since 1984! According to the Punjab Human Rights Organization (PHRO), police picked up 50,000 Sikh youth, tortured them, murdered them, and secretly cremated them, declaring their bodies "unidentified." Their remains were never even given to their families! During the November 1984 massacre of Sikhs, Hindu villagers burned down Sikh homes and a Gurdwara in the villages of Hond Chillar and Pataudi in the Rewari district of Haryana, killing 32 people according to the government of Haryana. It is just now being discovered! In addition, the Indian regime has also murdered more than 300,000 Christians in Nagaland since 1948 (plus many more throughout the country), over 100,000 Muslims in Kashmir since 1988 (as well as at least 2,000 to 5,000 in Gujarat), and tens of thousands of Tamils, Assamese, Manipuris, Dalits, Bodos, and others. Tens of thousands of members of those minorities are also being held as political prisoners, according to Amnesty International. The Indian Supreme Court called the Indian government's murders of Sikhs "**worse than a genocide.**"

"These are not the acts of a democracy," said Dr. Aulakh. "India's repression will never end until Khalsitan is free," he said. "Khalistan is essential for the survival of the Sikh religion." As Professor Darshan Singh, a former Jathedar, said, "**If a Sikh is not for Khalistan, he is not a Sikh.**" Jathedar Ranjit Singh and Jathedar Joginder Singh Vedanti, among others, have also spoken out for Khalistan. "We must continue to work for our God-given birthright of freedom and to free Khalistan," Dr. Aulakh said.

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Sohan Singh, Sikh Activist, Tortured and Murdered by Punjab Police *Police Claim Suicide; Investigation Demanded*

WASHINGTON, D.C., April 1, 2011 – Sikh leaders are demanding an inquiry into the murder of Sikh activist Sohan Singh by the Punjab Police. Sohan Singh from the village of Varpal was arrested at his home on March 3, 2011 by the Punjab Police. He was remanded to the custody of the State Special Operations Cell, under the command of the brutal Manwinder Singh. According to *News Week India*, Sohan Singh's wife and the Sarpanch (mayor) of the village got to see him on March 11 and his wife reported that he could not stand up because he had been so brutally tortured. On March 14 Sohan Singh was reported as having killed himself by hanging himself from an eight-foot high ceiling fan.

Sohan Singh's brother-in-law, Harbans Singh, charged that Sohan Singh was murdered by the police. The police planted RDX explosives on Sohan Singh. Harbans Singh said that police were questioning Sohan Singh in a case with which he had no connection and he demanded a judicial inquiry into the killing. A judicial probe has been ordered by the District Sessions Judge into the incident.

"It confounds me how a person who could not even stand up to meet his wife and his village Sarpanch could hang himself from a ceiling fan which was hung from a height of eight foot high ceiling of his cell?" wrote former Member of Parliament Simranjit Singh Mann, a former senior police official. "There was no stool or a chair in his cell on which he could have stood to put a noose around his neck and hang the ends of the noose to the ceiling fan. Dangerous under trial prisoners of the Police when put in a cell are guarded day and night by a sentry at the cells iron gate. Why didn't the sentry on guard duty see the preparations of Sohan Singh when he was preparing to hang himself?"

Sardar Mann also notes that Sohan Singh's wife, Bibi Bhupinder Kaur, received a call from Inspector Nirmal Singh of State Special Operation Cell (SSOC) on her cell phone threatening her that she should not engage a lawyer and that she should not tell anybody about her husband's police custody or seek anyone's help. This is a violation of her rights and Sohan Singh's rights under the Indian constitution. Nirmal Singh said that the police would dispose of Sohan Singh. During the meeting with his wife, according to human rights groups, Sohan Singh told his wife that he would be murdered in police custody. Human rights activists have demanded that Manminder Singh, AIG of the SSOC, be charged with Sohan Singh's murder.

Dr. Gurmit Singh Aulakh, President of the Council of Khalistan, the government *pro tempore* of Khalistan, the Sikh homeland that declared its independence from India on October 7, 1987, strongly condemned the murder of Sohan Singh. "This genocide must end and the way to end it is for Sikhs to liberate Khalistan from Indian occupation," he said. "In a free Khalistan, such atrocities will not happen and if they do, they will be dealt with swiftly and fairly," he said. "Nobody is ever brought to justice for these acts in India's fundamentalist Hindu theocracy." Dr. Aulakh demanded that the police officers responsible be investigated, prosecuted, and dismissed from the police force.

According to Sardar Mann, the Indian government has murdered over a million Sikhs since 1982. This aligns with a threat made by the former Speaker of the Lok Sabha, Balram Jakhar, who said, "If we have to kill a million Sikhs to preserve our territorial integrity, so be it." India has also murdered more than 300,000 Christians in Nagaland since 1948 (plus many more throughout the country), over 100,000 Muslims in Kashmir since 1988 (as well as at least 2,000 to 5,000 in Gujarat), and tens of thousands of Tamils, Assamese, Manipuris, Dalits, Bodos, and others. The Indian Supreme Court called the Indian government's murders of Sikhs **"worse than a genocide."** According to a report by the Movement Against State Repression (MASR), 52,268 Sikhs are being held as political prisoners in India without charge or trial. Some have been in illegal custody since 1984! Tens of thousands of other minorities are also being held as political prisoners, according to Amnesty International.

"The police murder of Sohan Singh is just one more piece of evidence that India's repression will never end until Khalistan is free," Dr. Aulakh said. "Only a sovereign, independent Khalistan will end the repression and raise the standard of living in Punjab," he said. "Khalistan is essential for the survival of the Sikh religion." As Professor Darshan Singh, a former Jathedar of the Akal Takht, said, **'If a Sikh is not for Khalistan, he is not a Sikh'**. He noted that other Akal Takht Jathedars, including Jatheedar Ranjit Singh and Jathedar Joginder Singh Vedanti, have also spoken out for Khalistan. "We must follow their lead and continue to work for our God-given birthright of freedom," Dr. Aulakh said.

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Hoboken City Councilman Bhalla Runs for State Assembly

By SUNITA SOHRABJI
India-West Staff Reporter

Attorney Ravinder Bhalla, who currently serves on the Hoboken, New Jersey's City Council, formally launched his bid for a state Assembly seat May 24 at the Hudson Tavern.

New Jersey's primaries are on June 7, so Bhalla has about 10 days to sell voters in Hoboken, Weehawken, West New York, Union City and parts of Jersey City on his platform of fiscal prudence, transparency in government, responsible development, and alternatives to high property taxes.

Bhalla is running in the newly carved-out 33rd district, which was re-drawn earlier this year after U.S. Census data was released. He is running against Democrat incumbents Ruben Ramos and Sean Connors and filed his papers April 11.

"As an attorney, I am intimately familiar with state laws and how they impact the lives of ordinary people," said Bhalla in an interview with **India-West** the evening before he launched his campaign.

New Jersey has the highest property taxes in the country, asserted Bhalla, stating that state and income taxes should be raised to offset lower property taxes.

Bhalla — who calls himself an "independent Democrat" — vehemently raised his objections



Attorney Ravinder Bhalla is running for a seat on the New Jersey State Assembly and believes he will be the first Indian American elected to a statewide office.

to New Jersey Governor Christie's \$1.3 million cuts in the education budget. The New Jersey Supreme Court May 23 ordered Christie to restore \$500 million in funding to the state's 31 poorest schools.

creation and strengthen the state's hate crime laws. He believes he can win the 33rd district — in its new form — because of the large percentage of Asian Americans and young professionals who live there.

The New Jersey native — born and raised in Passaic — has lived in Hoboken for 10 years with his wife Navneet, who works with South Asian Americans Leading Together, and their four-year-old daughter Arza.

Bhalla won a four-year Hoboken city council seat in 2009, campaigning on a platform of lower property taxes and calling for a moratorium on all new development projects. He has received strong endorsement from Hoboken Mayor Dawn Zimmer, who stood beside him May 24 as he launched his state assembly campaign.

"We need someone to really represent Hoboken on the state level," Zimmer told **India-West**, adding that the tiny city currently lacks representation in state politics.

"We've gone through some real fiscal challenges in the city," said Zimmer, noting that police and fire department budgets have had to be cut. "Ravi has always stood by me and said 'Look, we need to come to the center of the room.' He will do us right in the statehouse from a fiscal point of view."

San Francisco Republican Party

chairwoman Harneet Dhillon has known Bhalla since they were both teenagers attending Sikh camp together. Though he is a Democrat and she is Republican, Dhillon told **India-West** she nevertheless ardently supports Bhalla's campaign.

"Ravi is an independent Democrat, not beholden to labor interests, and in favor of anti-corruption, which is huge in that part of the country," said Dhillon, pointing to Bhalla's platform of lowering taxes and less regulation, which she said was in line with conservative values.

Dhillon's sister Parveen and Nitasha Sawhney are co-hosting a fundraiser for Bhalla on Memorial Day, May 30, in Oakland, Calif., from 10-1 p.m. Additional details about the event can be obtained by writing to nitashasawhney@gmail.com.

Bhalla is the son of Montville, New Jersey residents Ranbir and Harinder Singh. His parents own and manage Lumenarc, Inc., which manufactures high pressure sodium street lamps, invented by Ranbir, a physicist.

Bhalla completed his undergraduate studies at UC Berkeley with a B.S. in political psychology. He then attended the London School of Economics, where he completed a masters in public administration and public policy. He received his law degree from Tulane Law School in New Orleans, Louisiana.

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NEW DELHI, Dec 11 - The Constitution for Jammu and Kashmir was moved to the Union Law Ministry today of the day of the HP, Mr Salva from the

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Punjab CM Badal bereaved

Wife succumbs to cancer

Sumedha Sharma

Tribune News Service

Chandigarh, May 24

Surinder Kaur, wife of Punjab Chief Minister Parkash Singh Badal, breathed her last at the PGI here today following a prolonged battle with cancer. She was 72.

Admitted to the PGI on May 12, she was shifted to the ICU almost a week ago.

Though Surinder Kaur breathed her last at about 2 pm, official confirmation of her death came after an hour after desperate efforts by doctors failed to revive her.

It was around 3 pm that the word spread that the CM's wife was no more. Leaders began pouring in. Finance Minister Upinderjit Kaur was the first to reach the PGI. With VIPs thronging the hospital, there was traffic chaos for almost two hours. A PGI ambulance, decked with flowers, took Surinder Kaur's body to the Chief Minister's official residence in Sector 2. Later, an AC ambulance took the body to Badal village in Muktsar.

Though the CM put up a brave face, his son and Deputy Chief Minister Sukhbir Singh broke into tears as he helped place his mother's body in the ambulance. Surinder Kaur will be cremated at the native village of the Badals tomorrow.

She is survived by Badal, son and deputy chief minister Sukhbir Singh Badal and daughter Preneet Kaur.

PM telephoned Parkash Singh Badal and expressed his condolences. PM is in Ethiopia for the Africa-India Summit.

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NEW YORK

Sword fight erupts at Sikh temple; 7 charged

NEW YORK | A brawl involving cricket bats and small swords at a Sikh temple in New York City has led to riot and assault charges against seven people.

Police said the defendants interrupted prayer services at the Baba Makhan Shah Lubana Sikh Center in Queens on Sunday. They were arraigned Monday.

Temple president Jamail Singh told the Daily News that the fight was instigated by a dissident group of followers who are opposed to opening up membership.

The dispute is at the center of a lawsuit in state Supreme Court.

Some of those arrested Sunday also were charged with disrupting a religious service.

DOJ Sues State for Violating Sikh Inmate's Religious Rights

By SUNITA SOHRABI
India-West Staff Reporter

The U.S. Justice Department Mar. 16 filed suit against the State of California, Gov. Jerry Brown and the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation for allegedly violating the rights of a Sikh inmate who was told he must shave his beard to a half inch or less.

Sikh religious tenets require all those practicing the faith to keep their hair and beard unshorn. But the DOJ claims that Sukhjinder Basra, an inmate at the California Men's Colony in San Luis Obispo, was told he must shave his full beard to a half inch or less, violating his religious rights (I-W, Mar. 25).

"The freedom to practice one's faith in peace is among our most cherished rights," said Thomas E. Perez, Assistant Attorney General for the Civil Rights Division, in a press statement. He cited the Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act, passed by Congress in 2000, as an important tool in combating religious discrimination.

Basra is serving the last year of a four-year sentence for a drug offense and will be released from prison in 2012. He was previously housed at Pleasant Valley State Prison, a more restrictive environment, then transferred to the CMC in February 2010 after earning

credits for good behavior.

The American Civil Liberties Union of Southern California had earlier filed suit Feb. 25 against Matthew Cate, secretary of the CDCR, and Terri Gonzalez, warden of the CMC San Luis Obispo.

"We are very pleased that the Department of Justice is taking up the case," Peter Eliasberg, managing attorney with the ACLU of Southern California, told India-West. "Mr. Basra has been a model inmate and we think he should not have been asked to cut his beard."

Basra has been subjected to many punitive measures for refusing to cut his beard, charged Eliasberg, including being confined to his bed. He is not allowed visitors, has been subjected to extra work duties, and has lost his good time credits and phone privileges.

The CDCR did approve a patka for Basra, shortly after the ACLU filed its suit.

Eliasberg said Basra's beard and turban posed no significant security risks towards other prisoners or personnel at the facility. No CMC employee has ever searched Basra's beard or run a metal detector wand over it or accused him of hiding contraband in it, asserted Eliasberg.

"There is no need for this regulation, he said. California state prisons continue to operate under a patchwork mosaic of policy for accommo-



Rajdeep Singh, director of law and policy at the Sikh Coalition, says the California Department of Corrections has violated the religious rights of inmate Sukhjinder Basra, by not allowing him to keep his full beard in prison.

dating Sikh religion-mandated turbans and beards, despite five-year-old regulations specifically crafted to meet the community's religious requirements.

Many state prison facilities are unaware that the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation created regulations in 2006 governing Sikh religious attire, designed to bring the state in line with federal laws.

Officials — contacted by India-

West for a Dec. 24, 2009 story — at San Quentin State Prison, California State Prison, Solano, and the CDCR itself were unaware of the new policy.

The new regulations are adjustments to California Penal Code Section 3000 regarding grooming in prison, and now permit acceptable "hair holding devices" in state facilities. An old regulation,

stating that hair not exceed three inches, has been struck out, along with regulations applying to beard length.

"We've found that the regulations are contradictory," Rajdeep Singh, director of law and policy at the Sikh Coalition, told India-West. "The CDCR permits inmates to keep long hair in accordance with religious beliefs, but has prohibitive limitations on facial hair. That seems arbitrary to us," he said.

The CDCR has started to make allowances for Muslims and Jewish inmates to wear religious headwear, but that same right has not yet been extended to Sikh inmates, said Singh.

Basra "should not be punished for exercising a fundamental human right," asserted Singh. He has been allowed to keep his beard uncut until now, pending an outcome of the lawsuit, but it could forcibly be shorn off at some future point, he said.

The CDCR has not yet responded to either suit.

"For a Sikh, his articles of faith are an inseparable part of his body and identity. We have a religious mandate to keep our hair uncut," said Singh.

"The right to practice one's religion is a fundamental human right that is inalienable. You don't have to check it in at the prison door. All people have this right, no matter where they are," said Singh.

Maharajah's 1925 Torpedo Tourer Headlines Rolls-Royce Show

By a Staff Reporter

SAN RAFAEL, Calif. — Easily one of the most opulent motor cars ever built — and this in 1925 for India's Maharajah Bhupinder Singh — a brilliant red and chrome Rolls-Royce Torpedo Tourer headlines a collection of stately Rolls-Royce motor cars at the 3rd Annual Marin Sonoma Concours d'Elegance at the Marin Civic Center here May 15.

Owned by 83-year-old Rubin Jurman of Los Gatos, the stunning Barker & Company, Ltd.,

Rolls-Royce was commissioned by King George V for the equivalent of \$10,000 and sent ship-board to Bombay as a dedicated hunting car for Maharajah Singh (ruler 1900 — 1938). Singh's vast estate dominated the marble-laden state of Patiala, and his fully-staffed hunting retinues were legend.

An Empire-class cricketer, he owned the first airplane in India, had more Rolls-Royce vehicles, sired 88 children and built large, modern buildings, according to a press release.

Jurman, a long-time classic car collector whose elegant vehicles have won top Concours d'Elegance honors at Pebble Beach and at national Rolls-Royce showings, ticks off the stunning features of the immense vehicle — which literally bristles with firepower.

"This was his main hunting car," he stated, noting an unlabeled Gatling-type machine gun carriage that is towed. "And that was used for the Bengal tigers."

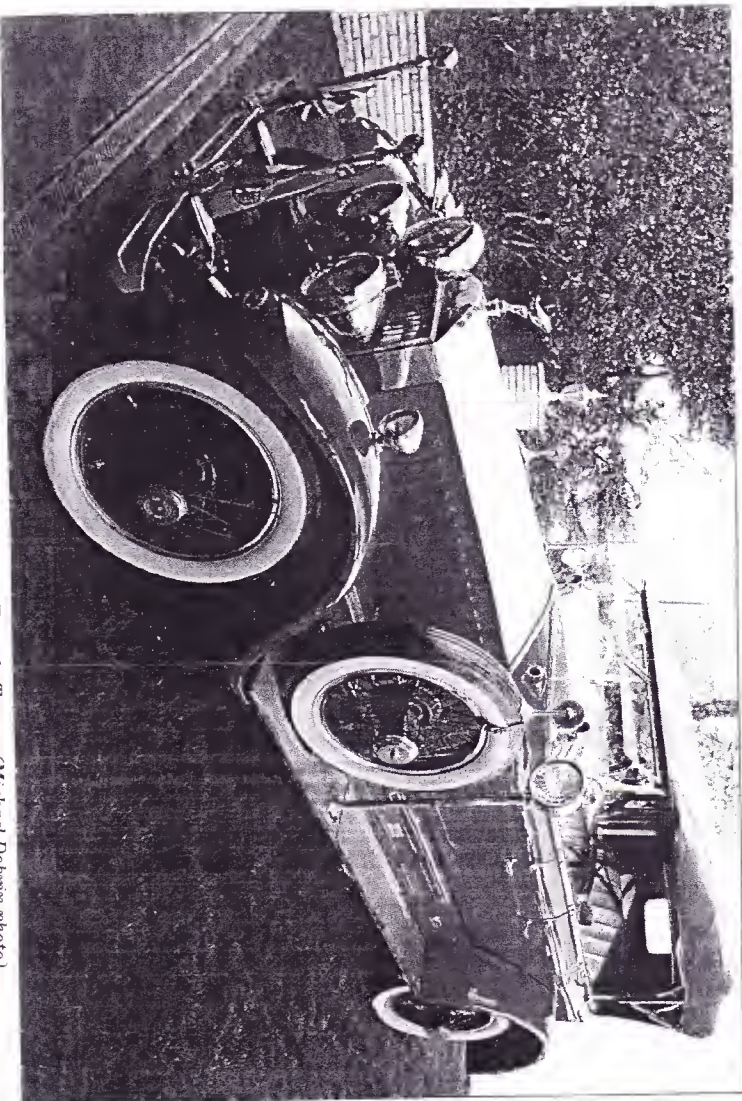
The 8-liter, six cylinder engine (horsepower in Rolls-Royce par-

lance then was "adequate") has dual spark ignition. Tall tires are designed to cross rough terrain and the low gearing ratio allows the huge vehicle to creep through mud and brush.

Jurman purchased the Barker model ten years ago from professional golfer Gene Lattier.

The Marin Sonoma Concours d'Elegance is a non-profit fundraiser to benefit Hospice By the Bay and will also include "The Drive," a separate motoring event, also to benefit Hospice, on May 14.

Those who wish more information should call (415) 479-7727.



Maharajah Bhupinder Singh's 1925 Rolls-Royce Torpedo Tourer. (Michael Dobryn photo)

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INDIA

Denigrating Gandhi may soon be a crime

The Indian government is considering legislation to make insulting Mahatma Gandhi a jailable offense and may ban a new biography that some reviewers have said portrays the independence leader as racist and bisexual, Law and Justice Ministry officials were quoted as saying Thursday.

Author Joseph Lelyveld said the reviews misrepresented his book, "Great Soul," but the Indian state of Gujarat, where Gandhi was born, has already banned the work.

Lelyveld's book describes Gandhi's love for a German bodybuilder named Joseph Kallenbach as "the most intimate, also ambiguous, relationship of his lifetime." But it quotes a scholar characterizing the relationship as "homoerotic" rather than homosexual.

The book also says Gandhi called black South Africans "kaffirs," who he said are "as a rule uncivilized."

Indians have elevated Gandhi since his assassination in 1948 into a saintly figure almost beyond criticism, but his great-grandson Tushar Gandhi said the banning of Lelyveld's book "flies in the face" of Gandhi's lifelong beliefs.

"He led an entirely transparent life, open for discussion, open for criticism," Tushar Gandhi said of his great-grandfather, also known in India as Bapu, or father. The ban, he added, "is a greater insult to Bapu than any insult, whether intended or not, in the contents of the book."

— Simon Denyer



A state in India has banned a new biography of Gandhi, here in 1948.

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Gujarat, said of the book after the ban. "It has hurt the sentiments of those with capacity for sane and logical thinking."

India's law minister, M. Veerappa Moily, said on Tuesday that "the book denigrates the national pride and leadership," which he said could not be tolerated. Officials "will consider prohibiting the book," he added.

The crux of the controversy seems to be the intersection of two subjects on which Indians have strong views: sexuality and Gandhi.

On the first point India is quite conservative, but the recent rapid growth of its economy has helped loosen attitudes, especially among the large youth population. In 2009 the Delhi High Court struck down a British-era law against sodomy, a ruling seen as a watershed for gay rights. Nevertheless most gay Indians would not feel comfortable coming out.

On the second, Gandhi is revered even by the young, but there is little significant understanding of the nuances of his philosophy and life. He has been mostly reduced to an idol. Young

Vikas Bajaj reported from Kochi, India, and Julie Bosman from New York.

Book on Gandhi Stirs Passion in India

By VIKAS BAJAJ and JULIE BOSMAN

KOCHI, India
GANDHI is still so revered in India that a book about him that hasn't even been published in this country has been banned in one state and may yet be banned nationwide.

The problem, say those who have fanned the flames of popular outrage this week, is that the book suggests that the father of modern India was bisexual.

The book's author, Joseph Lelyveld, Indians don't spend much time studying him. And many of his ideas, like the development of small-scale village industries, have faded.

That doesn't mean Gandhi can't be a figure of fun. A few years ago he was made a character in the Munna Bhai film franchise, about a gangster in Mumbai; the character is visited by Gandhi, who tells him to change his ways and give up violence. It's a comedy.

The controversy also highlights India's highly circumscribed right to free speech. Indian officials frequently ban and censor books, movies, art and other works. Under Indian law any citizen can petition to have a work banned, and activists and political leaders frequently exercise that right. But it is uncommon for even a book a year to be banned nationally.

The constitution allows the government to impose "reasonable restrictions" on speech that might be construed as offensive. In 1988 India joined many Muslim countries in banning "The Satanic Verses," the novel by Salman Rushdie, a native of India. Last year the Shiv Sena, a regional political party, forced the University of Mumbai to remove "Such a Long Journey" by Rohinton Mistry from its curriculum, arguing that this acclaimed novel denigrated the dominant Mah-

does write extensively about the close relationship Mohandas K. Gandhi had with a German architect, but he denies that the book, "Great Soul: Mahatma Gandhi and His Struggle With India," makes any such argument.

In an interview Mr. Lelyveld, a former executive editor of The New York Times and a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist, said he thought he had "readed very carefully" with the information, which he knew was delicate. "I lived in India, and there's an Indian word called tamasha," he said, which translates to "spectacle." "I'm sur-

arashtrian ethnic group.

Certain subjects, like Gandhi, who is often referred to as mahatma, or great soul, are particularly guarded. Gandhi is widely admired not only in India but around the world for his advocacy of nonviolent struggle and the austere and celibate life he led when he was fighting for Indian freedom from the British.

Using documents, letters and other research, Mr. Lelyveld writes about how Gandhi came to his particular social vision, first as a lawyer in South Africa and later as a freedom fighter, and how he tried to spread that vision in India, with mixed results.

The controversy appears to have started because of reviews in publications in the United States and Britain, including one in The Wall Street Journal, asserting that the book provides evidence that Gandhi was "a sexual weirdo, a political incompetent and a fanatical faddist."

That review, by Andrew Roberts, a British historian, argued that Gandhi was in love with Hermann Kallenbach, the German-Jewish architect with whom Gandhi lived in Johannesburg, and it cited letters from Gandhi to Mr. Kallenbach, which are quoted in



prised to find myself at the center of one, because I think this is a careful book, and I consider myself a friend of India."

Still, this week Gujarat, the state where Gandhi was born and grew up, banned the book after reviews and news articles about it appeared in Indian newspapers. Gujarat is particularly conservative — alcohol can't be sold in there, for instance — and the state is governed by a Hindu nationalist party.

"The writing is perverse in nature," Narendra Modi, the chief minister of

"Great Soul"

Gandhi expresses great fondness and yearning for Mr. Kallenbach in the letters, telling him that his was the only portrait on Gandhi's mantelpiece, opposite the bed, and that cotton wool and Vaseline were "a constant reminder" of him.

The letters were acquired by the National Archives of India in an auction and have been available to scholars; they were sold by descendants of Mr. Kallenbach.

Gandhi destroyed Mr. Kallenbach's letters to him early on, according to the book.

In the book Mr. Lelyveld writes, "One respected Gandhi scholar characterized the relationship as 'clearly homoerotic' rather than homosexual, intending through that choice of words to describe a strong mutual attraction, nothing more."

But Mr. Lelyveld then acknowledged: "The conclusions passed on by word of mouth in South Africa's small Indian community were sometimes less nuanced. It was no secret then, or later, that Gandhi, leaving his wife behind, had gone to live with a man."

Although Mr. Lelyveld does not draw a conclusion about the

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relationship in the book, he writes, "In an age when the concept of Platonic love gains little credence, selectively chosen details of the relationship and quotations from letters can easily be arranged to suggest a conclusion."

The situation is complicated by the fact that the book is not yet on sale in India, and very few people have read it. It was released in the United States on Tuesday.

While Knopf published the book in the United States, HarperCollins is expected to publish it in India. The considerable negative press has unnerved executives at HarperCollins. V. K. Karthika, the publisher and chief editor of HarperCollins in India, said in an e-mail that a publication date has not been set. "Obviously we are concerned about the situation," Ms. Karthika said, "but we are committed to the book and the author."

An editor at HarperCollins suggested that at least one revision be made for the edition in India, but Mr. Lelyveld refused. Ms. Karthika said on Thursday in an e-mail there was no reason to make any revisions.

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INDIA

**Population grows
to 1.2 billion**

NEW DELHI | India is home to 17 percent of the world's people, as its population climbed to 1.21 billion this year, though growth actually slowed for the first time in 90 years, census officials said Thursday.

The South Asian nation — second only to China in number of people — added 181 million in the past decade, said C. Chandramouli, the census commissioner. That increase alone is

nearly the entire population of Brazil.

United Nations projections show that India could overtake China and its 1.34 billion people as the world's most populous nation by 2030, though Mr. Chandramouli said a more rigorous analysis of data would be needed before India made its own projections.

India's population is nearly equal to the combined populations of the United States, Indonesia, Brazil, Japan, Bangladesh and Pakistan, he said.

Yet the 17.6 percent increase was down from 21.5 in the last count a decade ago.

March 19, 2011

The martyrdom of Sohan Singh in Police custody-By Simranjit Singh Mann.

Martyred Sohan Singh in Police custody before his custodial murder. Yesterday, 16th March 2011 I visited Amritsar and a village close by Varpal, where S. Sohan Singh lived with his wife Bibi Bhupinder Kaur and his children. This was his home for several years and he and his family lived with his mother in law Bibi Jasbir Kaur. Some years ago Sohan Singh had suffered from a very bad leg injury in a motorcycle accident in Jullandhar, as a result of which the orthopedic surgeon had inserted a steel rod into his injured left leg. He was lame and a handicapped person. His brother Gurbinder Singh had been killed by the Police at village Maniarawala in the Patli area of Amritsar district earlier in the 1990's. Sohan Singh and his family have been true Sikh patriots who have sacrificed their lives to gain a honourable place under the sun for the Sikh nation, which is stateless and under Hindu rule at present. In the press, especially The Tribune it was written that Sohan Singh had traveled to Pakistan many a time. But he had gone to Pakistan legally with a passport every time. When the press and THIS (Theocratic Hindu Indian State) state that a Sikh has gone to Pakistan on a pilgrimage it is assumed by the Hindu state that he has gone there to carry out some nefarious activities against THIS (Theocratic Hindu Indian State). This is a misconception of the Hindu mind and its press and media, because half of the Sikh religion, its history, culture, language lie in this Islamic state which was bifurcated by the British in 1947 at the behest of Hindu leaders M.K. Gandhi, J.L. Nehru etc. and a Muslim leader Muhammad Ali Jinnah and became a separate country - Islamic Pakistan. The Punjab province, which is the homeland of the Sikh's, was cut into two, one half going to Pakistan and the other half to THIS (Theocratic Hindu Indian State). At that period the Sikh's suffered the worst ethnic cleansing known to history. The border that divides the two Panjab's is known as the Radcliffe Line and on our side of the border THIS (Theocratic Hindu Indian State) has constructed a nine foot tall barbed wire fencing much like the infamous Berlin Wall which runs 540 kms on this Line. The para-military force BSF guard this fence twenty-four hours of the day shooting to death, no questions asked if a person is found wandering along the fence. To buttress the BSF, THIS's (Theocratic Hindu Indian State's) Army forms the second line of defence, with the Panjab Police reinforcing the vigilance on this hateful division of the two Panjab's. To spy on the border lest the BSF, Army and Panjab Police connive with intruders from Pakistan THIS's (Theocratic Hindu Indian State's) ace intelligence agencies RAW and IB keep a hawk's eye along with the Panjab CID over the fence and the activities of the forces deployed on this fence lest they connive with the intruders. THIS's (Theocratic Hindu Indian State's) Air Force carries out surveillance sorties and above it are the satellites systems bought from Israel that can pick up a rat's image that may cross this impregnable border.



It is alleged by THIS (Theocratic Hindu Indian State) that Pakistan and Afghanistan send in RDX, arms and munitions, heroin, opium and smack. How this is possible without the connivance of THIS's (Theocratic Hindu Indian State's) BSF, Army, IB, RAW and Panjab's CID, only the Union government and the state government of Panjab can tell us. What is the responsibility and accountability of the Union government and the state government in not allowing such goods into the Panjab through this barbed wire fencing, is never questioned by the Hindu press or its media or the Opposition in Parliament or the State Assembly? Yet the Sikh's are blamed by the Hindu state, its press and media for having connived with Pakistan in bringing in these contrabands? What good would it do to the Sikh nation we are never told? Do we want our children and our young to become drug addicts? It is only a colonial power that introduces drugs amongst its enslaved populace so that it can never awaken from its colonised status to freedom. The Sikh's enjoy the status of an enslaved people since 1947.

As I have said earlier the press and media especially The Tribune had created a hysteria about Sohan Singh's arrest on 7th March 2011 about his association with Pakistan. We knew then that the Hindu state was preparing the ground for the elimination of Sohan Singh. In fact Sohan Singh had been arrested from his home in village Varpal on 3rd March 2011 and was kept in illegal custody of the State Special Operation Cell (SSOC) Amritsar which functioned under the stewardship of Assistant Inspector General of Police S. Manwinder Singh. Sohan Singh was brutally tortured during his illegal custody in this interrogation centre where hardly anyone comes out alive or without injuries that last a lifetime through inhuman torture. On 7th March 2011 Sohan Singh was shown as legally arrested and the Judicial Magistrate without having sent Sohan Singh for a medical examination remanded him to this brutal State Special Operation Cell (SSOC) custody on a nine day police remand. Finally S. Manwinder Singh, known for inflicting unbearable torture had got his prey. Thereafter, I was informed by his family that a hot iron (the one used for ironing clothes) was used on his arms and after his death his family saw these marks on his arms. He had a wound on his neck. The steel rod that was inserted into his left leg by the orthopedic surgeon had come out and S. Manwinder Singh claimed that Sohan Singh had hung himself from a ceiling fan in his cell. On 11th March 2011 Sohan Singh's wife Bhupinder Kaur along with the Sarpanch (village elected headman) was allowed to see and meet Sohan Singh. Bibi Bhupinder Kaur informed me that Sohan Singh could not stand up, as he had been brutally tortured. It confounds me how a person who could not even stand up to meet his wife and his village Sarpanch could hang himself from a ceiling fan which was hung from a height of eight foot high ceiling of his cell? There was no stool or a chair in his cell on which he could have stood to put a noose around his neck and hang the ends of the noose to the ceiling fan. Dangerous under trial prisoners of the Police when put in a cell are guarded day and night by a sentry at the cells iron gate. Why didn't the sentry on guard duty see the preparations of Sohan Singh when he was preparing to hang himself? Obviously these are all cock and bull stories put out by Mr. Manwinder Singh AIG and his notorious State Special Operation Cell (SSOC) to save their skins after murdering this innocent Sikh while in police and their custody.

Between 7th March 2011 and before the custodial murder of Sohan Singh on 14th March 2011, Bibi Bhupinder Kaur, his wife informed me that she had received a call from Inspector Nirmal Singh of State Special Operation Cell (SSOC) on her cell phone threatening her that she should not engage a lawyer. However, Article 22 of THIS's (Theocratic Hindu Indian State's) Constitution declares that no person who is arrested shall be detained in custody without being informed of the grounds of such arrest and he shall not be denied the right to consult and defend himself by a legal practitioner of his choice. And that she should not tell anybody about her husband's police custody or seek anyone's help. He further told her, "asi aap hi bhugta devange," which in the Panjabi colloquial language means that they (the Police) will dispose (eliminate) him off. All these acts of Inspector Nirmal Singh are against the Constitution of THIS (Theocratic Hindu Indian State) and the law.

When I was sitting with Sohan Singh's family, his brother in law (sister's husband) S. Harbans Singh Sandhu walked in, coming from Amritsar where he resides in Partap Nagar. He told me that in May 2010 the Police of Amritsar had raided the house of Sohan Singh in Swiss city of Amritsar which was nearing completion but had all the kitchen utensils, a frigidare and other household goods, all of which were taken away and no respectable witness of the locality was called, which is incumbent on the police as per law. No list of the seized household goods was ever made. In a nutshell this was an illegal search. Then S. Harbans Singh Sandhu told me that his house in Partap Nagar Amritsar was also raided and searched by the Amritsar police in the last week of May of 2010. Again no respectable witness of the locality was called or associated with the search. This too an illegality of the police.

From all that I have seen and enquired I can only conclude that Sohan Singh HAD IT COMING. It was preplanned that the dog must be given a bad name and hanged. Over a million Sikh's since 1982 have met such a fate. THIS (Theocratic Hindu Indian State) has committed the genocide of the Sikh race with impunity. No Sikh leader has cried out against this barbaric torturous and brutal death of Sohan Singh in police custody. Why should they? Did Norway's imposed ruler by Nazi Germany Vidkun Quisling or the Vichy regime's head in France Marshall Pateau ever complain against the rail wagon loads of prisoners they sent into the Nazi death camps? Amongst the Sikh's we have our Quislings

that is S. Parkash Singh Badal, Captain Amrinder Singh, S. Surjit Singh Barnala, Ms. Rajinder Kaur Bhattal, S. Sukhbir Singh Badal, S. Avtar Singh Makker, S. Birkamjit Singh Majithia etc. all collaborators of the Hindu state that don't mind extra judicial killings of the Sikh's. Rather they welcome them, lest some Sikh may challenge their ascendancy to political power in THIS (Theocratic Hindu Indian State). They are our Quisling's, Patean's and Judasrat's.

Having read into the Sikh psyche over a long period of time, I am of the opinion that the extra judicial death of Sohan Singh may prove to be the last straw on the camel's back as the torturous death caused by Deputy Superintendent of Police Giani Gurbachan Singh of a Sikh patriot Kulwant Singh Nagoke was in the 1980's after which Sikh's began to hit back at the state and formed a resistance movement. If the Hindu state handles this case adroitly and wisely, turbulence in the Panjab and the Sikh mind may be halted for the time being but there is no telling when the volcano in Sikh may begin to erupt.

Postscript

While at Amritsar on 16th March 2011 I spoke to the honourable Akal Takht Jathedar Giani Gurbachan Singh on phone requesting that the Bhog of martyr Sohan Singh should be held at Manjhi Sahib on 23rd March 2011. The Jathedar Sahib agreed in principle but it is up to the Sikh sangat to contact him on his cell phone number +91 98146 79291 and convince him of the importance of such a step as the Badalites and THIS (Theocratic Hindu Indian State) would obviously deter him from such an assurance given to me.

Further, I would request the Sikh sangat to contact Bibi Bhupinder Kaur the wife of the slain martyr Sohan Singh at her cell phone number: +91 88726 98926. The family of martyr Sohan Singh has fallen into poverty due to the Hindu state's terror and I think the Sikh sangat could always lend her a helping hand financially, to set up her home after the painful and brutal death her husband met at the hands of THIS (Theocratic Hindu Indian State). - Simranjit Singh Mann

Some pictures of the visit of Simranjit Singh Mann to village Varpal the home of martyr Sohan Singh and thereafter his Press Conference at Amritsar

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Earthquake of 6.2 magnitude strikes Greece

BY JAGMOHAN SINGH Amritsar: March 28 - Hitting hard at SGPC for backtracking on its own resolution favouring status quo for Khalsa College, the Dal Khalsa and the KAC (Khalsa Action Committee) has asked its head Jathedar Avtar Singh Makkar to leave the office as he has ruined the prestige of the institution by making somersaults then and now.

The party spokesman Kanwar Pal Singh and KAC chairman Bhai Mohkam Singh said "the present incumbent Jathedar Avtar Singh is most incompetent person the Sikhs have ever seen in the history of 91 year old SGPC".

Making an emotional appeal to Makkar to retire voluntarily, they said there's a sense in Sikhs that "you have become liability and that you had been drifted".

We don't think that Jathedar Makkar would ever be able to restore the dignity of the office he has been holding since long. He has become complacent in office, said Kanwar Pal Singh.

In the presence of Guru Granth (Sahib) and Guru Panth (Sangat), Jathedar Akal Takht and others beside media including electronic, Makkar said these words: Khalsa College is a symbol of Sikh heritage and culture and it must be preserved. Khalsa College was formed as a College, so it's my appeal to the management to build University separately".

They showed the video clippings of Makkar addressing the budget session in which he himself read the resolution amidst 'bole so nihaal' and subsequently addressing the electronic media in which the SGPC president was seen speaking strongly favouring status quo for Khalsa College.

We are going to lodge a complaint to Jathedar Akal Takht along with proof. How can we tolerate that a 'liar' could remain seated at the most important seat of Sikh religious institution? To a question whether they would ask Jathedar to summon Makkar, they said "we would be going one step ahead by requesting the Jathedar to summon Makkar not to pronounce tankha (religious punishment) but to direct him (Makkar) to quit office".

It's not the first time that SGPC has run from its own resolutions. The SGPC passed a resolution in 2002 to construct a memorial of 1984 army attack at Darbar Sahib Complex. Then it resolved to seek heritage status for Harmandir Sahib for which 40 lacs to prepare dossier were spent. Next in 2003, Nanakshahi calendar a symbol of Sikh separate identity was came into force. Lately, SGPC during its budget session adopted resolution favoring separate entity and existence of the Khalsa College to be kept intact". Its pity and ironical that all resolutions have met the same fate- consigned to dustbin.

Taking the Hon secretary Rajmohinder Singh Chinna to task, Kanwar Pal Singh said it was a mystery as to why BJP's man is so keen to form Khalsa University while his party opposed the formation of GNDU in 1970's tooth and nail. Is it BJP' change of heart or change of tactics (pitting Sikhs against Sikhs), he questioned.

Giving a call to heritage lovers, former students and teachers of Khalsa College to join hands and intensify Save Khalsa College campaign, he said the management under the influence of state power was forcing people to come on streets to fight against injustice.

Pressing the panic button, he said now BJP and RSS would run the Khalsa institutions courtesy Akali-BJP alliance.

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National — U.S.

Census Reveals More Asians than Previous ACS Estimates

By RICHARD SPRINGER
India-West Staff Reporter

Asian population growth in the last 10 years in nine states that have already released 2010 census data far exceeds estimates of Asian populations in those states from recent Census Bureau American Community Surveys.

Last week five states – Maryland, Indiana, Iowa, Arkansas and Vermont – reported significant increases in the decade in their Asian-only populations.

Maryland's Asian residents increased 51.2% to 318,853, 5.5% of the state's population, compared to 210,929 in 2000, when Asians constituted 4% of the state's total population.

Asians in Indiana went from



A view of downtown Mammoth Springs in Arkansas. Arkansas had the highest percentage growth of Asians of the five states, 78.5%, jumping from 20,220 Asians (0.8%) in 2000 to 36,102 (1.2%) in 2010.

59,126 (1% of the total population) to 102,474 in 2010, a whopping rise of 73.3%, now representing 1.6% of

the state's population. Iowa's Asians went from 36,635 (1.3% of the total population) in

American Trained in Pak Pleads Guilty to Terror Charges

By LALIT K. JHA
Press Trust of India

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Daniel Patrick Boyd, known by the name "Saifullah," who received military style training in terrorist camps in Pakistan and Afghanistan, has pleaded

guilty to terror charges, the Justice Department has said.

"Daniel Patrick Boyd admitted his role in a multi-year conspiracy to advance violent jihad by recruiting and helping young men travel overseas to murder, kidnap, main

and injure persons, I applaud the

many agents, analysts and prosecutors who helped bring about today's successful outcome," said Assistant Attorney General for National Security David Kris.

According to the superseding indictment, during the period from 1989 through 1992, 40-year-old Boyd traveled to Pakistan and Afghanistan, where he received military-style training in terrorist training camps for the purpose of engaging in violent jihad.

Following this training, according to the indictment, he fought in

Afghanistan.

From November 2006 through at least July 2009, Boyd conspired with the other defendants to provide material support and resources to terrorists, including currency, training, transportation and personnel.

The object of the conspiracy, according to the indictment, was to advance violent jihad, including supporting and participating in terrorist activities abroad and committing acts of murder, kidnapping or maiming persons. Sentencing is set for May.

2000 to 53,094 (1.7%), a 44.9 percent increase.

Arkansas had the highest percentage growth of Asians of the five states, 78.5%, jumping from 20,220 Asians (0.8%) in 2000 to 36,102 (1.2%) in 2010.

Vermont's Asians went from 5,217 (0.9%) to 7,947 (1.3%) in the same period, a 52.3% rise.

Four states the week previous reported similar percentage jumps in Asian populations in the decade (1-W, Feb. 11). The states with their percentage increase in Asian populations were: New Jersey, 51.1%; Virginia, 68.5%; Mississippi, 38.2%; and Louisiana, 28.1%.

Previous multi-year ACS surveys have appreciably underestimated Asian populations in these nine states.

For example, the 2007-2009 ACS pegged the Asian only population in New Jersey at 660,392, but the 2010 census puts it at 725,726, far exceeding the stated margin of error.

Here are other projections of Asian population from the 2007-2009 ACS, with the 2010 totals in parentheses – Virginia: 382,366 (439,890); Maryland: 284,521 (318,853); Indiana: 88,309 (102,474); Louisiana: 65,592 (70,132); Iowa: 46,663 (53,094) Arkansas: 34,978 (36,102); Mississippi: 24,578 (25,742); Vermont 6,922 (7,947).

The under-projection of the Asian populations in these states is even more pronounced in the

ACS 2005-2009 five-year estimate.

In that survey, Asians in New Jersey, Virginia and Maryland, respectively, were estimated at 642,436, 371,788 and 277,732. Asian Indians are the largest Asian subgroup in these three states.

Some areas are also showing stunning increases in Asian populations over the decade.

Howard County, Maryland, for example, more than doubled its Asian population from 19,037 Asians in 2000 to 41,221 in 2010. The county has a total population of 287,085 residents.

Maryland's Frederick County nearly tripled its Asian population, while heavily populated Montgomery County went from 98,651 Asians in 2000 to 135,451 in 2010. Rockville, Maryland in now over 20 percent Asian. About one of every six people in Gaithersburg, Md., is Asian.

In New Jersey, Edison Township and Woodbridge Township, where there is a huge concentration of Indian Americans, went from 43,177 Asians and 22,324 Asians, respectively, in 2000, to 99,967 and 99,565 Asians, respectively in 2010.

Some cities not thought of as hubs for Asian residents are now assuming a multicultural character. There are 5,175 Asians living in Ames, Iowa, among a resident population of 58,965. Elkhart, Indiana, has 6,575 Asians in a city that totals 50,949 people.

Report Sees Declining Freedom of Religion for Sikhs

By a Staff Reporter

A Global Sikh Civil & Human Rights Report 2010 released Jan. 21 asserts that Sikhs and other minority communities across the world are finding protections steadily declining for freedom of

religion, especially with respect to external identity.

With a specific emphasis on Sikhs, the report combines data from primary and secondary sources from 29 countries around the world.

The report was timed for re-

lease during the week to honor the defender of civil rights Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., a hero whose words profoundly resonate amongst the Sikh community, said a press release.

This past year, challenges to Sikh civil and human rights in-

cluded Belgium and other countries maintaining policies that did not officially recognize the Sikh religion, while Sikhs and other religious minorities are still precluded from manifesting their external religious identity in schools in France.

The reported noted that racial/religious profiling of Sikhs and other minority groups who wear religious head coverings became more extreme in the United States with the implementation of new airport security mechanisms.

Bertrand Russel

(1950, Russell was awarded the Nobel Prize in Literature)

He said "If some lucky men survive the onslaught of the third world war of atomic and hydrogen bombs, the SIKH religion will be the ONLY means of guiding them.

It has the capability, but Sikhs have not brought-out, in broad day light, the splendid doctrines of their religion, which has come into existence for the benefit of entire mankind."

WESTERN ATHEIST'S VIEWS

We were doing great with knocking out Christianity, Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, Baha'i, even Buddhism but we have gotten very stuck with Sikhism.

..... Look instead in service to humanity. You will find "meaning" in your love for other human beings. You can experience God when you help someone who needs your help.

Why is this interesting? Because we found this religion of Sikhism to be in agreement with this! This is why we have a problem. We tried to look at their holy text (Adi Granth) but didn't find the usual absurdities we found in the other religious books. In fact its refreshingly inspiring and very good!

Did you know that they believed in Democracy, freedom of speech, choice, expression, freedom of religion, pluralism, human rights, equality between men and women, equality of all people regardless of race, religion, caste, creed, status etc. 300 years before the existence of the USA! Theirs is the only religion which says in their religious scriptures that women are equal in every respect to men. They even had women soldiers leading armies in to battle against "you know who" (The usual suspects - Muslims!) Their history is a proud one, they fought in both World Wars. Even Hitler praised them for their bravery and Aryan heritage!

Please bear in mind that Bertrand Russell was a great philosopher and free thinker. We have been trying for weeks now to find a way to fairly and rationally criticize and find fault with this religion but have failed. We even found out that there are many people converting to this religion in the USA and Europe as well as Russia (Mostly well educated and affluent white people).

Bertrand Russell was a great philosopher and free

thinker and is said to have given Christianity (same applies to Islam and Judaism) a body blow and exposed its absurdities; but even this great man got stuck when it came to Sikhism! In fact he gave up and said "that if some lucky men survive the onslaught of the third world war of atomic and hydrogen bombs, then the Sikh religion will be the only means of guiding them." Russell was asked that he was talking about the third world war, but isn't this religion capable of guiding mankind before the third world war? In reply, Russell said, "Yes, it has this capability, but the Sikhs have not brought out in the broad daylight, the splendid doctrines of this religion which has come into existence for the benefit of the entire mankind. This is their greatest sin and the Sikhs cannot be freed of it.

"What Bertrand was most impressed with was that Sikhism does not have a doctrine of evangelism, that it does not go out to try to subvert and convert. In some ways he thought that Sikhs should go out and propagate their great faith.

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ਨਵੀਂ ਦਿੱਲੀ- ਖੁਫੀਆ ਏਜੰਸੀ ਰਾਮ ਦੇ ਬਰਖਾਸਤ ਜਾਇਟ ਸਕੱਤਰ ਤੇ ਭਰੋੜੇ ਰਵਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਦੀ ਪਲਾਸਟਿਕ ਸਰਜਰੀ ਨਾਲ ਅਮਰੀਕਾ ਵਿੱਚ ਉਸਦੀ ਪਛਾਣ ਪੂਰੀ ਤਰ੍ਹਾਂ ਬਦਲ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਗਈ ਹੈ। ਅਮਰੀਕੀ ਖੁਫੀਆ ਏਜੰਸੀ ਐਫ ਬੀ ਆਈ ਨੇ ਰਵਿੰਦਰ ਨੂੰ ਨਵਾਂ ਨਾਮ, ਆਈ ਡੀ ਨੰਬਰ, ਡਰਾਈਵਿੰਗ ਲਾਈਸੈਂਸ, ਪਾਸਪੋਰਟ ਆਦਿ ਮੁਹੱਈਆ ਕਰਾ ਦਿੱਤੇ ਹਨ, ਜਿਸ ਨਾਲ ਉਹ ਰਵਿੰਦਰ ਦੇ ਰੂਪ ਵਿੱਚ ਕਦੇ ਫੜਿਆ ਨਾ ਜਾਏ। ਐਫ ਬੀ ਆਈ ਨੇ ਰਵਿੰਦਰ ਦੇ ਫੜੇ ਜਾਣ ਦੀ ਸਥਿਤੀ ਵਿੱਚ ਵਿਦੇਸ਼ਾਂ ਵਿੱਚ ਅਮਰੀਕੀ ਖੁਫੀਆ ਤੰਤਰ ਦਾ ਪਰਦਾ ਫਾਸ਼ ਹੋਣ ਦੇ ਡਰ ਕਾਰਨ ਉਸ ਨਵੀਂ ਸ਼ਕਲ ਅਤੇ ਪਛਾਣ ਦੇ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਹੈ।

ਉਚ ਅਹੁਦੇ ਦੇ ਸੂਤਰਾਂ ਮੁਤਾਬਕ ਮੁਮਕਿਨ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਰਵਿੰਦਰ ਦੀਆਂ ਉਂਗਲੀਆਂ ਦੀ ਪਛਾਣ ਵੀ ਬਦਲ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਗਈ ਹੋਵੇ। ਹੁਣ ਉਸ ਨੂੰ ਤਦ

ਪਛਾਣਿਆ ਜਾ ਸਕਦਾ ਹੈ, ਜਦ ਉਸ ਦੇ ਡੀ ਐਨ ਏ ਦਾ ਮਿਲਾਨ ਕਰਾਇਆ ਜਾਏ, ਜੋ ਮੌਜੂਦਾ ਸੂਰਤ ਵਿੱਚ ਲਗਭਗ ਅਸੰਭਵ ਹੈ। ਸੂਤਰ ਨੇ ਦੱਸਿਆ ਕਿ ਰਵਿੰਦਰ ਨੇ ਅਮਰੀਕਾ ਦੇ ਕਿਸੇ ਸ਼ਹਿਰ ਵਿੱਚ ਆਪਣਾ ਟਿਕਾਣਾ ਬਣਾਇਆ ਹੋਇਆ ਹੈ ਅਤੇ ਉਸਦਾ ਪਰਿਵਾਰ ਵੀ ਨਾਲ ਰਹਿੰਦਾ ਹੈ।

ਗੌਰਤਲਬ ਹੈ ਕਿ 2004 ਵਿੱਚ ਰਾਮ ਦੇ ਕਾਊਂਟਰ ਇੰਟੈਲੀਜੈਂਸ ਵਿੰਗ ਨੂੰ ਰਵਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ 'ਤੇ ਏਜੰਸੀ ਦੇ ਸੰਵੇਦਨਸ਼ੀਲ ਕਾਗਜ਼ਾਤ ਅਤੇ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀਆਂ ਲੀਕ ਕਰਨ ਦਾ ਸ਼ੱਕ ਹੋਇਆ। ਉਸ ਵਕਤ ਰਵਿੰਦਰ ਦੱਖਣ-ਪੂਰਬੀ ਏਸ਼ੀਆ ਵਿਭਾਗ ਵਿੱਚ ਜਾਇਟ ਸਕੱਤਰ ਦੇ ਅਹੁਦੇ 'ਤੇ ਤੈਨਾਤ ਸੀ।

ਏਜੰਸੀ ਦਾ ਸ਼ੱਕ ਸਹੀ ਨਿਕਲਿਆ ਅਤੇ ਰਵਿੰਦਰ ਦੇ ਘਰੋਂ ਅਤੇ ਦਫਤਰ 'ਚੋਂ ਕੁਝ ਅਜਿਹੇ ਕਾਗਜ਼ਾਤ ਮਿਲੇ, ਜੋ ਉਸ ਦੇ ਕੋਲ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੋਣੇ ਚਾਹੀਦੇ ਸਨ। ਇਸ ਦੇ ਬਾਅਦ ਗੁਪਤ ਤਰੀਕੇ ਨਾਲ ਰਵਿੰਦਰ

'ਤੇ ਨਜ਼ਰ ਰੱਖੀ ਜਾਣ ਲੱਗੀ। ਰਾਮ ਦੇ ਤਤਕਾਲੀ ਸਕੱਤਰ ਸੀ ਡੀ ਸਹਾਏ ਇਸ ਮਾਮਲੇ ਨੂੰ ਪ੍ਰਧਾਨ ਮੰਤਰੀ ਪੱਧਰ 'ਤੇ ਲੈ ਗਏ। ਉਸ ਵਕਤ ਪ੍ਰਧਾਨ ਮੰਤਰੀ ਦੇ ਵਿਸ਼ੇਸ਼ ਸਲਾਹਕਾਰ ਐਮ ਕੇ ਨਾਰਾਇਣਨ, ਸੁਰੱਖਿਆ ਸਲਾਹਕਾਰ ਜੇ ਐਨ ਦੀਕਸ਼ਿਤ ਅਤੇ ਪ੍ਰਮੁੱਖ ਸਕੱਤਰ ਟੀ ਕੇ ਨਾਇਰ ਨੇ ਫੈਸਲਾ ਕੀਤਾ ਕਿ ਪਹਿਲਾਂ ਰਵਿੰਦਰ ਦੀਆਂ ਕਰਤੂਤਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਹੋਣ ਵਾਲੇ ਨੁਕਸਾਨ ਦਾ ਜਾਇਜ਼ਾ ਲਿਆ ਜਾਏ।

ਸਰਕਾਰ ਨੂੰ ਅੰਦਾਜ਼ਾ ਹੋ ਗਿਆ ਸੀ ਕਿ ਰਵਿੰਦਰ ਅਮਰੀਕੀ ਖੁਫੀਆ ਏਜੰਸੀ ਲਈ ਕੰਮ ਕਰ ਰਿਹਾ ਹੈ, ਲੇਕਿਨ ਇਸ ਤੋਂ ਪਹਿਲਾਂ ਕਿ ਰਵਿੰਦਰ ਨੂੰ ਗ੍ਰਿਫਤਾਰ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ, 14 ਮਈ 2004 ਨੂੰ ਉਹ ਨੇਪਾਲ ਦੇ ਰਸਤੇ ਅਮਰੀਕਾ ਫਰਾਰ ਹੋ ਗਿਆ।

ਰਾਮ ਨੂੰ ਹੈਰਾਨੀ ਉਦੋਂ ਹੋਈ, ਜਦ ਪਤਾ ਲੱਗਾ ਕਿ ਰਵਿੰਦਰ ਆਪਣੇ ਅਧਿਕਾਰਕ ਪਾਸਪੋਰਟ ਨਾਲ ਨਹੀਂ, ਬਲਕਿ ਅਸਲੀ ਅਮਰੀਕੀ ਪਾਸਪੋਰਟ ਦੇ ਜ਼ਰੀਏ ਨੇਪਾਲ ਤੋਂ ਦੌੜਿਆ ਹੈ।

ਮੁੱਖ ਮੰਤਰੀ ਪ੍ਰਕਾਸ਼ ਸਿੰਘ ਬਾਦਲ ਦੇ ਨਾਂ ਖੁੱਲਾ ਪੱਤਰ

ਅਪਰੈਲ ੧੧, ੨੦੧੧

ਸਰਦਾਰ ਪ੍ਰਕਾਸ਼ ਸਿੰਘ ਬਾਦਲ

ਮੁੱਖ ਮੰਤਰੀ, ਪੰਜਾਬ

ਚੰਡੀਗੜ੍ਹ, ਪੰਜਾਬ

ਮਾਨਯੋਗ ਮੁੱਖ ਮੰਤਰੀ ਸਾਹਿਬ ਜੀ,
ਵਾਹਿਗੁਰੂ ਜੀ ਕਾ ਖਾਲਸਾ,
ਵਾਹਿਗੁਰੂ ਜੀ ਕੀ ਫਤਹਿ ॥

ਸਾਨੂੰ ਇਹ ਹਿਰਦੇਵੇਧਕ ਖ਼ਬਰ ਸੁਣ ਕੇ ਅਤਿਅੰਤ ਦੁਖ ਹੋਇਆ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਪੁਲਿਸ ਦੇ ਕਰਮਚਾਰੀ ਸ਼ਰੇਆਮ ਸਿੱਖ ਨੌਜਵਾਨਾਂ ਦੀਆਂ ਦਸਤਾਰਾਂ ਲਾਹ ਕੇ ਜਲੀਲ ਕਰ ਰਹੇ ਹਨ। ਦਾਸ ਨੇ, ਅਮੈਰਿਕਾ ਦੀਆਂ ਸਿੱਖ ਸੰਸਥਾਵਾਂ ਦੀ ਪ੍ਰਤੀਨਿਧ ਜੱਥੇਬੰਦੀ - ਵਰਲਡ ਸਿੱਖ ਕੌਂਸਲ - ਅਮੈਰਿਕਾ ਰੀਜਨ ਵਲੋਂ, ਇਸ ਦੁਖ ਭਰੀ ਘਟਨਾ ਦਾ ਪ੍ਰਗਟਾਵਾ ਕਰਨ ਦੀ ਖਾਤਰ ਹੀ ਇਹ ਪੱਤਰ ਲਿਖਣ ਦਾ ਹੀਆਂ ਕੀਤਾ ਹੈ ਅਕਾਲੀ ਦਲ ਦੇ ਪੁਰਾਤਨ ਇਤਿਹਾਸ ਤੇ ਸਿੱਖ ਜਗਤ ਨੂੰ ਮਾਣ ਹੈ, ਜਦੋਂ ਇਸ ਮਹਾਨ ਜਥੇਬੰਦੀ ਨੇ ਬੜੇ ਹੀ ਸੁਚੱਜੇ ਢੰਗ ਨਾਲ ਸਿੱਖਾਂ ਦੀ ਨੁਮਾਇੰਦਗੀ ਅਤੇ ਸਿੱਖ ਹੱਕਾਂ ਦੀ ਰਾਖੀ ਕੀਤੀ ਸੀ। ਇਸੇ ਅਕਾਲੀ ਦਲ ਦੀ ਵਾਗਡੋਰ ਅੱਜ ਆਪ ਜੀ ਦੇ ਹੱਥ ਵਿਚ ਹੈ ਅਤੇ ਇਸ ਦੀ ਪ੍ਰਧਾਨਗੀ ਆਪ ਜੀ ਦੇ ਸਪੁਤਰ ਸੁਖਬੀਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਬਾਦਲ ਕਰ ਰਹੇ ਹਨ। ਆਪ ਦੋਹਾਂ ਦੀ ਸਰਪਰਸਤੀ ਹੋਣ ਦੇ ਬਾਵਜੂਦ, ਇਸ ਗੱਲ ਦੀ ਸਮਝ ਨਹੀਂ ਪੈਂਦੀ, ਕਿ ਆਪ ਜੀ ਦੇ ਮੁਲਾਜ਼ਮਾਂ, ਪੰਜਾਬ ਪੁਲਿਸ



ਦੇ ਕਰਮਚਾਰੀਆਂ ਦੀ, ਸਿੱਖ ਨੌਜਵਾਨਾਂ ਦੀ ਪੱਗ (ਦਸਤਾਰ) ਨੂੰ ਹੱਥ ਪਾਉਣ ਦੀ ਹਿੰਮਤ ਅਤੇ ਜੁਰਅਤ ਕਿਵੇਂ ਪਈ। ਚਾਹੀਦਾ ਤਾਂ ਇਹ ਸੀ ਕਿ ਸਰਕਾਰ ਹਰ ਪ੍ਰਾਣੀਮਾਤਰ ਦੇ ਮਨੁੱਖੀ ਅਧਿਕਾਰਾਂ ਦੀ ਰਾਖੀ ਕਰਨ ਦਾ ਬੀੜਾ ਚੁੱਕਦੀ ਅਤੇ ਕਿਸੇ ਵੀ ਵਿਅਕਤੀ ਨਾਲ ਵਿਤਕਰਾ ਜਾਂ ਧੱਕਾ ਨ ਹੋਣ ਦੇਂਦੀ। ਪਰ ਆਪ ਜੀ ਦੇ ਰਾਜ ਵਿੱਚ ਤਾਂ ਸਰਕਾਰੀ ਕਰਮਚਾਰੀਆਂ ਦੁਆਰਾ ਸਿੱਖਾਂ ਦੀ ਪੱਗ ਲੁਹਾ ਕੇ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦਾ ਮਜ਼ਾਕ ਉਡਾਇਆ ਜਾ ਰਿਹਾ ਹੈ ਅਤੇ ਬੇਇਜ਼ਤੀ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾ ਰਹੀ ਹੈ। ਕੀ ਇਹ ਅਜੀਬ ਗਲ ਨਹੀਂ ਲਗਦੀ, ਕਿ ਸਿੱਖ ਸਰਕਾਰ ਹੋਣ ਦੇ ਬਾਵਜੂਦ ਵੀ, ਸਿੱਖ ਨੂੰ ਸਿੱਖ ਹੋਣ ਦਾ ਸਬੂਤ ਦੇਣਾ ਪਵੇ। ਅਸੀਂ ਹੁਣੇ, ਹੁਣੇ ਇਕ ਵੀਡੀਓ

ਵੇਖੀ ਹੈ, ਜਿਸ ਵਿਚ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਦੀ ਪੁਲਿਸ ਦਾ ਕਰਮਚਾਰੀ ਇੱਕ ਤਿਆਰ-ਬਰ-ਤਿਆਰ ਦਰਸ਼ਨੀ ਸਿੰਘ ਦੀ ਦਸਤਾਰ ਜ਼ਬਰਦਸਤੀ ਲਾਹ ਕੇ ਉਸਦਾ ਅਪਮਾਨ ਕਰ ਰਿਹਾ ਹੈ ਅਤੇ ਸਾਰੇ ਲੋਕੀ ਪੁਲਿਸ ਦੀ ਇਸ ਨਫਰਤ-ਭਰੀ ਕਰਤੂਤ ਨੂੰ ਬੜੀ ਹੈਰਾਨਗੀ ਨਾਲ ਵੇਖ ਰਹੇ ਹਨ। ਅਸੀਂ ਅਮਰੀਕਾ ਨਿਵਾਸੀ ਸਿੱਖ, ਅਮਰੀਕਾ ਅਤੇ ਬਾਕੀ ਸਾਰੇ ਪਛਮੀ ਦੇਸ਼ਾਂ ਵਿਚ, ਸਿੱਖਾਂ ਦੀ ਦਸਤਾਰ ਬਾਰੇ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਦੇ ਕੇ, ਸਿੱਖੀ ਸ਼ਾਨ - ਦਸਤਾਰ ਨੂੰ ਵਿਸ਼ਵ ਪੱਧਰ ਤੇ ਪਰਮਾਣਿਤ ਕਰਾਉਣ ਲਈ ਜਦੋਂਜਹਿਦ ਕਰ ਰਹੇ ਹਾਂ। ਸਾਨੂੰ ਖੇਦ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਵਿਚ, ਸਿੱਖ ਵਿਰਸੇ ਬਾਰੇ ਮੁਕੰਮਲ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਹੋਣ ਦੇ ਬਾਵਜੂਦ ਵੀ, ਸਿੱਖਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਜਲੀਲ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ। ਇਹ ਆਪ ਜੀ ਅਤੇ ਸਾਡੇ ਸਾਰਿਆਂ ਲਈ ਬੜੇ ਸ਼ਰਮ ਦੀ ਗਲ ਹੈ।

ਵਰਲਡ ਸਿੱਖ ਕੌਂਸਲ ਅਮੈਰਿਕਾ ਰੀਜਨ ਵਲੋਂ ਦਾਸ ਆਪ ਜੀ ਨੂੰ ਪੁਰਜ਼ੋਰ ਸ਼ਬਦਾਂ ਵਿਚ ਅਪੀਲ ਕਰਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਪੁਲਿਸ ਕਰਮਚਾਰੀਆਂ, ਜਿਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨੇ ਸਿੱਖਾਂ ਦੀਆਂ ਦਸਤਾਰਾਂ ਲਾਹਣ ਦਾ ਕੁਕਰਮ ਕੀਤਾ ਹੈ, ਨੂੰ ਨੌਕਰੀ ਤੋਂ ਬਰਖ਼ਾਸਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਵੇ ਅਤੇ ਬਾਕੀ ਸਭ ਕਰਮਚਾਰੀਆਂ ਨੂੰ ਸਖ਼ਤ ਤਾਤਨਾ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾਵੇ ਕਿ ਉਹ ਕਦੇ ਭੁਲ ਕੇ ਵੀ ਐਸੀ ਹਰਕਤ ਕਰਨ ਦੀ ਜੁਰਅਤ ਨਾ ਕਰਨ।

ਪੰਥਕ ਹਿਤ

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ਮੁਖ ਸੇਵਾਦਾਰ

ਵਰਲਡ ਸਿੱਖ ਕੌਂਸਲ - ਅਮੈਰਿਕਾ ਰੀਜਨ

ਪੰਜਾਬ

ਬ੍ਰਾਨਵੀ ਪੁਲਿਸ ਨੇ...

ਆਪ ਜੀ ਦੀ ਸ਼ਹੀਦੀ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਅਦ, ਆਪ ਜੀ ਦੀ ਤਿਆਰ ਕੀਤੀ ਹੋਈ ਭੁਲਵਾੜੀ ਉਹ ਰੰਗ ਨਿਆਈ, ਜਿਸ ਨੂੰ ਪਤਾ ਕੇ, ਹਰ ਇਕ ਪਾਠਕ, ਲੇਖਕ ਅਤੇ ਅਸ ਕਰਦਾ ਹੈ। ਮੇਰੇ ਵੀਰ ਮੁਖ ਸ਼ਾਂਤਦਰ ਗੁਰਬਖਸ਼ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਿਰਕ ਜੀ ਨੇ 'ਦੇਸ ਪ੍ਰਦੇਸ' ਨੂੰ ਬਹੁਤ ਉੱਚਾ ਕੀਤਾ। ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੀ ਕਲਮ ਵਿੱਚ ਵੀਰ ਤਰਸੇਮ ਦੀ ਲਿਖਤ ਨਜ਼ਰ ਆਉਂਦੀ ਹੈ। ਕਿਉਂਕਿ ਵਿਰਕ ਸਾਹਿਬ ਦੀ ਸੱਚ ਕਹਿੰਦੀ ਤੇ ਕਰਨੀ ਦੇ ਮਾਲਕ ਹਨ। ਉਹ ਆਪਣੇ ਸ਼ਾਂਤਦਰੀ ਨੇ ਵਿਚ ਪੰਜਾਬੀ ਪਾਠਕਾਂ ਅਤੇ ਲਿਖਕਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਬਹੁਤ ਕੁਝ ਸਮਝਾ ਜਾਂਦੇ ਹਨ। ਇਸ ਵਿਚ ਮੁਖ ਸ਼ਾਂਤਦਰ ਦੇ ਨਾਲ ਬਾਕੀ ਸਾਰੇ ਸਟਾਫ਼ ਦੀ ਕਾਫ਼ੀ ਮਿਹਨਤ ਹੈ। ਆਪ ਸਭ ਦੀ ਮਿਹਨਤ ਦਾ ਸਦਕਾ ਸਾਲ 2010 ਵਿਚ ਭਾਰਤ ਸਰਕਾਰ ਨੇ 'ਦੇਸ ਪ੍ਰਦੇਸ' ਵਿਰਕ ਜੀ ਨੂੰ 'ਸ਼ੀਰੀਸ਼ਾ ਐਵਾਰਡ' ਦੇ ਕੇ ਸਨਮਾਨਿਆ। ਇਹ ਸਭ ਕੁਝ ਤਰਸੇਮ ਦੀ ਬੁਰਥਾਨੀ ਦਾ ਸਿੱਟਾ ਹੈ।

ਇਸ ਪੇਪਰ ਵਿਚ ਨਾਮਵਰ ਲੇਖਕ ਜਿਵੇਂ - ਸ਼ਿਵਚਰਨ ਗਿੱਲ, ਸ਼ਾਬੀ ਲੁਧਿਆਣਵੀ, ਪ੍ਰੋ. ਹੋਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਕੰਵਲ, ਜਸਵੰਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਕੰਵਲ, ਸੁਰਿੰਦਰ

ਸਿੰਘ ਸ਼ਾਂਤਾ ਤੇ ਮਹਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਦਿਲਬਰ ਅਤੇ ਹੋਰ ਕਈ ਲੇਖਕ ਆਪਣੇ ਆਰਟੀਕਲਾਂ ਰਾਹੀਂ ਇਸ ਪੇਪਰ ਨੂੰ ਚਾਰ ਚੰਨ ਲਾਉਂਦੇ ਹਨ।

ਕਿੰਨੋ ਦੁੱਖ ਨਾਲ ਲਿਖਣਾ ਪੈਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਕਿ 16 ਸਾਲ ਬਾਅਦ ਵੀ ਉਹ ਹਥਿਆਰੇ ਅਜਿਹੇ ਤੱਕ ਕਾਬੂ ਨਹੀਂ ਆਏ, ਕਿਉਂ? ਯੂ.ਕੇ. ਦੀ ਪੁਲਿਸ ਦੁਨੀਆਂ ਭਰ ਵਿਚ ਕਾਤਲਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਫੜਨ ਲਈ ਮਸ਼ਹੂਰ ਹੈ। ਇਥੇ ਦੁੱਖ ਵਰਤਾਈ ਬੈਠੀ ਹੈ। ਲੇਕਿਨ ਪੁਰਵਾਲ ਸਾਹਿਬ ਦੀ ਭੁਲਵਾੜੀ ਅੱਗੇ ਨਾਲੋਂ ਜ਼ਿਆਦਾ ਮਹਿਕ ਰਹੀ ਹੈ। ਸਾਡੇ ਵੱਲੋਂ ਇਹੀ ਸੱਚੀ ਸ਼ਰਧਾਂਜਲੀ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਆਪਣੇ ਚਲਾਏ ਹੋਏ ਮਾਰਗ ਉਪਰ ਚੱਲ ਕੇ, ਸੱਚ ਕਹਿਣ ਤੇ ਸੱਚ ਲਿਖਣ ਦੇ ਧਰੀ ਬਣੀਏ। 'ਦੇਸ ਪ੍ਰਦੇਸ' ਨੂੰ ਉਹ ਸਹਿਯੋਗ ਦੇਵੀਏ, ਜਿਸ ਨਾਲ ਕਿ ਇਹ ਪੇਪਰ ਰਹਿੰਦੀ ਦੁਨੀਆਂ ਤੱਕ ਕਾਇਮ ਰਹੇ। ਪੰਜਾਬੀ ਸਾਹਿਤ ਅਤੇ ਪੰਜਾਬੀ ਪੱਤਰਕਾਰ ਸਦਾ ਹੀ ਤਰਸੇਮ ਸਿੰਘ ਪੁਰਵਾਲ ਦਾ ਰਿਹਾ ਰਹੇਗਾ।

ਸ਼ਹੀਦੀ ਕੀ ਰਿਤਾਉ ਪਰ, ਲਗੱਗੋਂ ਹਰ ਬਰਸ ਮੌਲੇ ਪੁਰਵਾਲ ਸਾਹਿਬ ਜੀ ਨੂੰ ਸ਼ਰਧਾ ਦੇ ਝੁੱਲ ਅਤੇ 'ਦੇਸ ਪ੍ਰਦੇਸ' ਦੀ ਚੜ੍ਹਦੀ ਕਲਾ ਦੀ ਅਰਦਾਸ ਕਰਦਾ ਹੋਇਆ।

ਸੁਭਾਚਿਤਕ

ਕੁਲਦੀਪ ਸਿੰਘ ਜਸਵਾਲ (ਨਰੂੜ)

ਈਸਟ-ਲੰਡਨ

ਬੈਲਜੀਅਮ ਵਿਚ ਇੰਡੀਅਨ ਅੰਬੈਸੀ ਦੀ ਮਿਲੀਭੁਗਤ ਨਾਲ ਸਿੱਖ ਦੀ ਲਾਸ਼ ਕਬਰ 'ਚ ਦਫ਼ਨਾ ਦਿੱਤੀ

ਗੁਰੂ ਘਰ ਅਤੇ ਖਾਲਿਸਤਾਨ ਹਾਊਸ ਨੇ ਲਾਸ਼ ਨੂੰ ਕਬਰ 'ਚੋਂ ਕਢਵਾ ਕੇ ਅੰਤਮ ਸੰਸਕਾਰ ਕੀਤੇ

ਬਰੱਸਲਜ਼ (ਬੈਲਜੀਅਮ) - 9 ਦਸੰਬਰ 2010 ਈ. ਨੂੰ ਇਥੇ ਮਿਡੀ ਰੇਲਵੇ ਸਟੇਸ਼ਨ ਦੀ ਪੁਲੀਸ ਨੂੰ ਠੰਡ ਨਾਲ ਮਰੇ ਪਏ ਇਕ ਸਿੱਖ ਨੌਜਵਾਨ ਦੀ ਲਾਵਾਰਸ ਲਾਸ਼ ਮਿਲੀ ਸੀ। ਪੁਲੀਸ ਕਬਰਦਾਰੀ ਪੂਰੀ ਹੋਣ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਅਦ 11 ਦਸੰਬਰ 2010 ਈ. ਨੂੰ ਪੁਲੀਸ ਸਟੇਸ਼ਨ ਤੋਂ ਸਰਕਾਰੀ ਟਰਾਂਸਪੋਰਟਰ ਦਾ ਜਥੇਦਾਰ ਸੁਖਦੇਵ ਸਿੰਘ ਜਲਵੇੜਾ ਨੂੰ ਇਕ ਟੈਲੀਫੋਨ ਆਇਆ ਕਿ ਪੁਲੀਸ ਨੂੰ ਇਕ ਸਿੱਖ ਨੌਜਵਾਨ ਦੀ ਲਾਵਾਰਸ ਲਾਸ਼ ਮਿਲੀ ਹੈ। ਜਿਸ ਨੂੰ ਅੱਜ ਪੈਸਟਮਾਰਟਮ ਹੋਣ ਤੋਂ ਬਾਅਦ ਹਸਪਤਾਲ ਦੇ ਮਰਦਾ ਘਰ ਵਿਚ ਰੱਖ ਦਿੱਤਾ ਗਿਆ ਹੈ। ਅਗਰ ਸਿੱਖ ਭਾਈਚਾਰਾ ਸਿੱਖੀ ਰਹਿਤ ਮਰਿਆਦਾ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਸੰਸਕਾਰ ਕਰਨਾ ਚਾਹੁੰਦਾ ਹੈ ਤਾਂ ਉਹ ਲਾਸ਼ ਲੈ ਸਕਦਾ ਹੈ।

ਇਸ ਦੇ ਸੰਬੰਧ ਵਿਚ ਸੁਖਦੇਵ ਸਿੰਘ ਜਲਵੇੜਾ ਨੇ ਗੁਰੂ ਘਰ ਬਰੱਸਲਜ਼ ਦੇ ਪ੍ਰਧਾਨ ਜਰਨੈਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਨਾਲ ਰਾਬਤਾ ਕਾਇਮ ਕੀਤਾ ਅਤੇ ਲਾਸ਼ ਨੂੰ ਗੁਰੂ ਘਰ ਬਰੱਸਲਜ਼ ਦੇ ਨਾਮ ਦਰਜ ਕਰਵਾ ਦਿੱਤਾ। ਪ੍ਰਧਾਨ ਜਰਨੈਲ ਸਿੰਘ ਨੇ ਮਿਡੀ ਰੇਲਵੇ ਸਟੇਸ਼ਨ ਦੀ ਪੁਲੀਸ ਨੂੰ ਹੋਰ ਲਿਖਿਆ ਬਿਆਨ ਕਲਮਬੰਦ ਕਰਵਾ ਦਿੱਤਾ - ਇਸ ਲਾਸ਼ ਦੇ ਸੰਸਕਾਰ ਦੀ ਜ਼ਿੰਮੇਵਾਰੀ ਗੁਰੂ ਘਰ ਬਰੱਸਲਜ਼ ਦੀ ਪ੍ਰਬੰਧਕ ਕਮੇਟੀ ਦੀ ਹੈ। ਅਸੀਂ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਵਿਚ ਮਿਤਕ ਦੇ ਵਾਰਸਾਂ ਨਾਲ ਰਾਬਤਾ ਕਾਇਮ ਕੀਤਾ ਹੈ। ਪੰਜਾਬ ਤੋਂ

ਮਿਤਕ ਬੰਦੇ ਦਾ ਭਰਾ ਸੰਸਕਾਰ ਲਈ ਆ ਰਿਹਾ ਹੈ। ਇਸ ਲਈ ਅਸੀਂ ਲਾਸ਼ ਦਾ ਸੰਸਕਾਰ ਉਸ ਦੇ ਭਾਈ ਦੇ ਇੱਥੇ ਪਹੁੰਚਣ ਪੁਰ ਸਿੱਖੀ ਰਹਿਤ ਮਰਿਆਦਾ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਕਰਾਂਗੇ। ਇਸ ਲਈ ਲਾਸ਼ ਨੂੰ ਸੰਸਕਾਰ ਕਰਨ ਤੱਕ ਸਾਂਭ ਕੇ ਰੱਖਿਆ ਜਾਵੇ ਅਤੇ ਪ੍ਰਸ਼ਾਸਨ ਲਾਸ਼ ਸੰਬੰਧੀ ਕੋਈ ਵੀ ਫੈਸਲਾ ਗੁਰੂ ਘਰ ਬਰੱਸਲਜ਼ ਦੀ ਕਮੇਟੀ ਨੂੰ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਦੇਣ ਬਗੈਰ ਨਾ ਕਰੇ। ਅਗਰ ਭਵਿੱਖ ਵਿਚ ਸਿੱਖ ਭਾਈਚਾਰੇ ਨਾਲ ਇਸ ਤਰ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੀ ਕੋਈ ਘਟਨਾ ਵਾਪਰੇ ਤਾਂ ਉਸ ਦੀ ਸੂਚਨਾ ਤੁਰੰਤ ਗੁਰੂ ਘਰ ਬਰੱਸਲਜ਼ ਨੂੰ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਜਾਵੇ।

ਇੰਡੀਅਨ ਅੰਬੈਸੀ ਬਰੱਸਲਜ਼ ਵਾਲਿਆਂ ਨੂੰ ਜਦੋਂ ਪਤਾ ਚੱਲਿਆ ਕਿ ਲਾਸ਼ ਦੇ ਸੰਸਕਾਰ ਬਾਰੇ ਖਾਲਿਸਤਾਨ ਹਾਊਸ ਨਾਠ ਭੱਜ ਕਰ ਰਿਹਾ ਹੈ, ਤਾਂ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨੇ ਇਸ ਕੇਸ ਵਿਚ ਹੁਕਾਮਤ ਪਾਉਣ ਲਈ ਆਪਣੀਆਂ ਟੈਂਜੀਸੀਆਂ ਨੂੰ ਸਰਗਰਮ ਕਰ ਦਿੱਤਾ। ਇੰਡੀਅਨ ਅੰਬੈਸੀ ਦੀ ਟੈਂਜੀਸੀ ਸਰਲ-ਵਾ ਦੀ ਬਰਾਂ ਨੇ ਇਸ ਘਿਨਾਉਣੀ ਕਾਰਵਾਈ ਨੂੰ ਨੇਪਰੇ ਚੜ੍ਹਨ ਲਈ ਮਹੱਤਵਪੂਰਨ ਭੂਮਿਕਾ ਨਿਭਾਈ। ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨੇ ਲਾਸ਼ ਨਾਲ ਸੰਬੰਧਿਤ ਅਦਾਰਿਆਂ ਨੂੰ ਟੈਲੀਫੋਨ ਕਰ ਕੇ ਸੂਚਿਤ ਕੀਤਾ ਕਿ ਮਰੇ ਹੋਏ ਸਿੰਘ ਦੇ ਭਾਣਜੇ ਦਾ ਸਾਨੂੰ ਇੰਗਲੈਂਡ ਤੋਂ ਟੈਲੀਫੋਨ ਆਇਆ ਹੈ ਕਿ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨੇ ਲਾਸ਼ ਦੇ ਸੰਸਕਾਰ ਦਾ ਖਰਚਾ ਨਹੀਂ ਉਠਾਣਾ, ਇਸ ਲਈ ਪ੍ਰਸ਼ਾਸਨ ਲਾਸ਼ ਦਾ ਸੰਸਕਾਰ ਕਰ ਦੇਵੇ। ਇਸ ਦੇ ਪ੍ਰਸ਼ਾਸਨ ਵਾਲਿਆਂ ਨੇ ਗੁਰੂ ਘਰ ਬਰੱਸਲਜ਼ ਨੂੰ ਪੁੱਛੇ ਬਗੈਰ ਹੀ 22 ਦਸੰਬਰ 2010 ਈ. ਨੂੰ ਲਾਸ਼ ਨੂੰ ਦਫ਼ਨਾ ਦਿੱਤਾ।

3 ਜਨਵਰੀ 2011 ਈ. ਨੂੰ ਮਿਤਕ ਬੰਦੇ ਦਾ ਭਰਾ ਜਦੋਂ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਤੋਂ ਬਰੱਸਲਜ਼ ਪੁੱਜਾ ਤਾਂ ਸੁਖਦੇਵ ਸਿੰਘ ਜਲਵੇੜਾ ਅਤੇ ਗੁਰੂ ਘਰ ਬਰੱਸਲਜ਼ ਵਾਲਿਆਂ ਨੇ ਅਗਲੀ ਕਾਰਵਾਈ ਕਰਨ ਲਈ ਪੁਲਿਸ ਸਟੇਸ਼ਨ ਨਾਲ ਰਾਬਤਾ ਕਾਇਮ ਕੀਤਾ ਤਾਂ ਪੁਲਿਸ ਅਫ਼ਸਰ ਨੇ ਦੱਸਿਆ ਕਿ ਮਿਤਕ ਦੇ ਇੰਗਲੈਂਡ ਵਾਲੇ ਰਿਸ਼ਤੇਦਾਰਾਂ ਦੇ ਕਹਿਣ ਤੇ ਪ੍ਰਸ਼ਾਸਨ ਨੇ 22 ਦਸੰਬਰ 2010 ਈ. ਨੂੰ ਲਾਸ਼ ਦਫ਼ਨਾ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਹੈ। ਅਸੀਂ ਜਦੋਂ ਮਿਤਕ ਦੇ ਭਾਣਜੇ ਸੁਰੱਤਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਨਾਲ ਬੁਨਿਆਦੀ ਵਿਚੋਂ ਟੈਲੀਫੋਨ ਰਾਹੀਂ ਸੰਪਰਕ ਕੀਤਾ ਤਾਂ ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਨੇ ਦੱਸਿਆ ਕਿ ਲਾਸ਼ ਦੇ ਸੰਸਕਾਰ ਦੇ ਵਿਸ਼ੇ ਵਿਚ ਮੇਰੀ ਬੈਲਜੀਅਮ ਵਿਚ ਕਿਸੇ ਨਾਲ ਕੋਈ ਗੱਲ ਨਹੀਂ ਹੋਈ। ਇਸ ਸੰਬੰਧ ਵਿੱਚ ਉਹ ਸਾਨੂੰ ਐਂਡੀਡੀਵਿਟ ਬਣਾ ਕੇ ਭੇਜ ਰਿਹਾ ਹੈ। ਖਾਲਿਸਤਾਨ ਹਾਊਸ ਅਤੇ ਗੁਰੂ ਘਰ ਬਰੱਸਲਜ਼ ਵਾਲਿਆਂ ਨੇ ਨਾਠ ਭੱਜ ਕੇ 25 ਜਨਵਰੀ

ਫਿਲੋਰ ਦੇ ਪਿੰਡ ਮੁਠੱਡਾ ਖੁਰਦ ਵਿਖੇ ਟਰੱਸਟ ਵਲੋਂ ਸਾਲਾਨਾ ਯਾਦਗਾਰੀ ਸਮਾਗਮ ਕਰਵਾਇਆ ਗਿਆ



ਖੰਬੋਉ-ਸੱਜੇ ਸਰਪੰਚ ਬਲਿਹਾਰ ਸਿੰਘ, ਕਾਮ. ਰਜਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ, ਹਰਭਜਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਬਰਾੜ, ਜਥੇਦਾਰ ਮਹਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ, ਸਾਬਕਾ ਪ੍ਰਿੰਸੀਪਲ ਸੁਰਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਰਸੀਲਾ, ਕਾਮ. ਗੁਰਦੀਪ ਸਿੰਘ ਮੁਠੱਡਾ, ਪ੍ਰਿੰਸੀਪਲ ਸੁਰਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ, ਬੀਬੀ ਜੋਗਿੰਦਰ ਕੌਰ, ਜਥੇਦਾਰ ਗੁਰਦੇਵ ਸਿੰਘ ਤੇ ਮਨਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ

ਫਿਲੋਰ - ਸਵਰਗਵਾਸੀ ਸਰਦਾਰ ਛੱਤੂ ਸਿੰਘ ਨੰਬਰਦਾਰ ਤੇ ਸਵਰਗਵਾਸੀ ਮਾਤਾ ਉਧਮ ਕੌਰ ਟਰੱਸਟ ਮੁਠੱਡਾ ਖੁਰਦ ਤਹਿਸੀਲ ਫਿਲੋਰ ਜ਼ਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਜਲੰਧਰ ਵਲੋਂ ਹਰ ਸਾਲ ਦੀ ਤਰ੍ਹਾਂ ਪਿਛਲੇ ਦਿਨੀਂ ਸਰਕਾਰੀ ਸੀਨੀਅਰ ਸੈਕੰਡਰੀ ਸਕੂਲ ਮੁਠੱਡਾ ਖੁਰਦ ਦੇ ਸਟਾਫ਼ ਦੇ ਪੰਚਾਇਤ ਦੇ ਸਹਿਯੋਗ ਨਾਲ ਸਤਵਾਂ ਸ਼ਾਨਦਾਰ ਇਨਾਮ ਵੰਡ ਸਮਾਗਮ ਕਰਵਾਇਆ ਗਿਆ। ਜਿਸਦੇ ਵਿਚ ਮੁੱਖ ਮਹਿਮਾਨ ਸਰਦਾਰ ਹਰਭਜਨ ਬਰਾੜ ਪ੍ਰਧਾਨ ਸਾਈ ਮੀਆਂ ਮੀਰ ਇੰਟਰਨੈਸ਼ਨਲ ਫਾਊਂਡੇਸ਼ਨ ਸਨ। ਖਾਸ ਮਹਿਮਾਨ ਗੁਰਮੇਲ ਰਾਮ ਚੁੱਬਰ ਵਾਸੀ ਸਾਗਰਪੁਰ (ਸਰਪੰਚ) ਮੈਂਬਰ ਜ਼ਿਲ੍ਹਾ ਪ੍ਰੀਸ਼ਦ ਜਲੰਧਰ ਸਨ।

ਸਮਾਗਮ ਦੇ ਵਿੱਚ ਸਰਪੰਚ ਬਲਿਹਾਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਸਰਪੰਚ ਮੁਠੱਡਾ ਖੁਰਦ, ਉਸੇ ਸਕੂਲ ਦੇ ਸਾਬਕਾ ਪ੍ਰਿੰਸੀਪਲ ਸੁਰਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਰਸੀਲਾ (ਜੋ ਕਿ ਪ੍ਰਿੰਸੀਪਲ ਦੀ ਹਨ) ਪੰਚ ਆਗੂ ਬਖ਼ਸ਼, ਪੰਚ ਲਖਵੀਰ ਚੰਦ, ਜਥੇਦਾਰ ਗੁਰਦੇਵ ਸਿੰਘ ਤੇ ਸਤਨਾਮ ਸਿੰਘ, ਘਾਟੇਦਾਰ ਸਰਵਣ ਸਿੰਘ, ਸ੍ਰੀ ਅਰੋੜ ਕੁਮਾਰ ਦਿੱਤੋਰ, ਜਥੇਦਾਰ ਪਿਆਰਾ ਸਿੰਘ ਬੈਂਸ ਸਾਗਰਪੁਰ, ਜਥੇਦਾਰ ਤੇ ਪ੍ਰਿੰਸੀਪਲ ਸਮਾਜ ਸੇਵਕ ਮਹਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ (ਪਿੰਡ ਮਹਿੰਦਰਪੁਰ) ਦੇ ਮੈਂਬਰ ਬਲਾਕ ਸੰਮਤੀ ਤੁਝਕਾ ਰਾਜੇਸ਼ ਸ਼ਰਮਾ ਤੇ ਰਜਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਗਰਦਾ ਲੁਧਿਆਣੇ ਵਾਲੇ, ਐਨ. ਆਰ. ਆਈ. ਸੁੱਚਾ ਸਿੰਘ ਸੋਹਲ, ਐਨ. ਆਰ. ਆਈ. ਹਰਬੰਸ ਸਿੰਘ ਵੱਜੋਂ, ਪ੍ਰਿੰਸੀਪਲ

ਅਮਰਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਐਸ. ਐਸ. ਐਸ. ਸਕੂਲ ਮਹਿੰਦਰਪੁਰ, ਜਗਦੀਸ਼ ਰਾਮ ਬੀ. ਐਸ. ਪੀ. ਆਗੂ ਬੋਰਪੁਰੀ ਤੇ ਲੇਖਕ ਤੇ ਸਮਾਜ ਸੇਵਕ ਸਵਰਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਸਾਗਰਪੁਰੀ (ਫਿਲੋਰ) ਨੇ ਸ਼ਿਰਕਤ ਕੀਤੀ। ਕਾਮਰੇਡ ਸੁਖਦੇਵ ਸਿੰਘ ਵੀ ਹਾਜ਼ਰ ਸਨ। ਹੋਰ ਵੀ ਪਤਵੰਤੇ ਸੱਜਣ ਤੇ ਬੀਬੀਆਂ ਹਾਜ਼ਰ ਸਨ। ਟਰੱਸਟ ਵਲੋਂ ਪਹਿਲੇ, ਦੂਜੇ ਤੇ ਤੀਜੇ ਸਥਾਨ ਤੇ ਆਉਣ ਵਾਲੇ ਵਿਦਿਆਰਥੀਆਂ ਨੂੰ ਨਕਦ ਇਨਾਮ ਦਿੱਤੇ ਗਏ ਤੇ ਲੱਭਵੰਦ ਵਿਦਿਆਰਥੀਆਂ ਨੂੰ ਵਰਦੀਆਂ ਤੇ ਕੋਟੀਆਂ ਵੰਡੀਆਂ ਗਈਆਂ।

ਕਾਮਰੇਡ ਗੁਰਦੀਪ ਸਿੰਘ ਨੇ ਕਿਹਾ ਕਿ ਟਰੱਸਟ ਸਕੂਲ ਦੇ ਬੱਚਿਆਂ ਨੂੰ ਇਕ ਪਰਿਵਾਰ ਦੀ ਤਰ੍ਹਾਂ ਸਮਝਦਾ ਹੈ ਤੇ ਵਿਦਿਆਰਥੀਆਂ ਦੀ ਹੌਸਲਾ ਅਰਜ਼ੀ ਹਮੇਸ਼ਾ ਹੀ ਕਰਦਾ ਰਹੇਗਾ। ਹੋਰ ਸਮਾਜਿਕ ਭਰਾਈਆਂ ਜਿਵੇਂ ਕਿ ਭੂਰੂ ਹੱਤਿਆ, ਨਸ਼ੇ ਤੇ ਦਾਜ ਬਗੈਰ ਨੂੰ ਦੂਰ ਕਰਨ ਦੇ ਵਾਸਤੇ ਆਪਣੀ ਆਵਾਜ਼ ਝੁਲੰਦ ਕਰਦਾ ਰਹੇਗਾ। ਜਿਵੇਂ ਕਿ ਇਸ ਸਾਲ ਤੋਂ ਭੁਜ਼ੀਆਂ ਦੇ ਇਨਾਮ ਦੀ ਰਕਮ ਵਧਾ ਦਿੱਤੀ ਗਈ ਹੈ। ਜਿਹਨਾਂ ਘਰਾਂ ਦੇ ਵਿਚ ਪੀਆਂ ਨੂੰ ਪੁੱਤਾਂ ਨਾਲੋਂ ਘਟੀਆ ਸਮਝ ਕੇ ਦੁਰਵਿਹਾਰ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ ਜਾਂ ਦਾਜ ਦੀ ਮੰਗ ਕਰਕੇ ਨੂੰਹਾਂ ਨੂੰ ਤਸੀਹੇ ਦਿੱਤੇ ਜਾਂਦੇ ਹਨ ਜਾਂ ਮੌਤ ਦੇ ਘਾਟ ਵੀ ਉਤਾਰ ਦਿੱਤਾ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ, ਟਰੱਸਟ ਉਹਨਾਂ ਲੋਕਾਂ ਦੀ ਜ਼ੋਰਦਾਰ ਸਬੰਦ ਦੇ ਵਿਚ ਨਿਧੇਪੀ ਕਰਦਾ ਹੈ। ਆਖਿਰ ਦੇ ਵਿਚ ਸਕੂਲ ਦੇ ਪ੍ਰਿੰਸੀਪਲ ਸੁਰਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਨੇ ਆਏ ਹਰ ਸ਼ਖਸ ਦਾ ਤਹਿਦਿਲੋਂ ਧੰਨਵਾਦ ਕੀਤਾ।

ਅਮਰੀਕਾ ਵਿਚ ਭਾਰਤੀ ਅੰਬੈਸੀਆਂ ਵਲੋਂ ਪੰਜਾਬੀਆਂ ਨਾਲ ਵਿਤਕਰਾ ਬੰਦ ਕੀਤਾ ਜਾਵੇ - ਹੁੰਦਲ



ਉਪਰਲੀ ਤਸਵੀਰ ਵਿਚ ਸੱਜਿਓ. ਸ. ਸਰਬਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਿਰਕ, ਸ. ਗੁਰਬਖਸ਼ ਸਿੰਘ ਵਿਰਕ, ਸ. ਨਰਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਹੁੰਦਲ, ਸ. ਹਰਚੇਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਬੈਂਸ ਤੇ ਕਰੀਬੀ ਨਜ਼ਰ ਆ ਰਹੇ ਹਨ।

ਲੰਡਨ - ਅਮਰੀਕਾ ਵਿਚ ਭਾਰਤੀ ਕੌਂਸਲਯਾਨੇ ਦੇ ਅਧਿਕਾਰੀਆਂ ਵਲੋਂ ਪੰਜਾਬੀਆਂ ਨਾਲ ਵੀਤੇ ਤੇ ਨਵੇਂ ਪਾਸਪੋਰਟ ਬਣਾਉਣ ਮੌਕੇ ਹੁੰਦਾ ਵਿਤਕਰਾ ਬੰਦ ਹੋਣਾ ਚਾਹੀਦਾ ਹੈ। ਇਹ ਬਬਰ ਸ਼੍ਰੋਮਣੀ ਅਕਾਲੀ ਦਲ ਬਾਦਲ ਅਮਰੀਕਾ ਦੇ ਸੀਨੀਅਰ ਵਾਈਸ ਪ੍ਰਧਾਨ, ਐਨ. ਆਰ. ਆਈ. ਸਭਾ ਅਮਰੀਕਾ ਦੇ ਚੀਫ਼ ਸਪੋਕਸਮੈਨ ਤੇ ਅਮਰੀਕਨ ਪੰਜਾਬੀ ਨਿਊਜ਼ ਵੀਕਲੀ ਦੇ ਮੁੱਖ ਸੰਪਾਦਕ ਸ. ਨਰਿੰਦਰ ਸਿੰਘ ਹੁੰਦਲ ਨੇ ਲੰਡਨ ਵਿਖੇ ਇਕ ਮਿਲਣੀ ਮੌਕੇ ਕਹੇ।

2011 ਈ. ਨੂੰ 2 ਵਜੇ ਲਾਸ਼ ਦਾ ਸੰਸਕਾਰ ਸਿੱਖੀ ਰਹਿਤ ਮਰਿਆਦਾ ਅਨੁਸਾਰ ਕਰਵਾ ਦਿੱਤਾ। ਇਹ ਇੰਡੀਅਨ ਅੰਬੈਸੀ ਬੈਲਜੀਅਮ ਅਤੇ ਉਸ ਦੀਆਂ ਟੈਂਜੀਸੀਆਂ ਦੇ ਮੁਹਿੰਮ ਦੇ ਉਪਰ ਕਰਾਰੀ ਚਪੜ ਹੈ।

ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਦੱਸਿਆ ਕਿ ਵਿਤਕਰੇ ਕਾਰਨ ਪੰਜਾਬੀਆਂ ਨੂੰ ਅਮਰੀਕਾ ਵਿਚ ਭਾਰੀ ਪ੍ਰੇਸ਼ਾਨੀਆ ਦਾ ਸਾਹਮਣਾ ਕਰਨਾ ਪੈ ਰਿਹਾ ਹੈ ਕਿਉਂਕਿ ਭਾਰਤੀ ਅੰਬੈਸੀਆ ਦੇ ਅਧਿਕਾਰੀ ਸਹੀ ਦਸਤਾਵੇਜ਼ਾਂ ਬਾਰੇ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਮੁਹੱਈਆ ਨਹੀਂ ਕਰਦਾ ਰਹੇ। ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਕਿਹਾ ਕਿ ਉਹ ਭਾਰਤ ਜਾ ਰਹੇ ਹਨ ਜਿਵੇਂ ਉਹ ਦਿੱਲੀ ਵਿਖੇ ਵਿਦੇਸ਼ ਮੰਤਰਾਲੇ ਦੇ ਅਧਿਕਾਰੀਆਂ, ਪੰਜਾਬ ਦੇ ਮੁੱਖ ਮੰਤਰੀ ਤੇ ਐਨ. ਆਰ. ਆਈ. ਸਭਾ ਪੰਜਾਬ ਦੇ ਪ੍ਰਧਾਨ ਨਾਲ ਇਹ ਮੁੱਦਾ ਉਠਾਉਣਗੇ ਅਤੇ ਪੰਜਾਬੀਆਂ ਨਾਲ ਹੋ ਰਹੇ ਵਿਤਕਰੇ ਨੂੰ ਬੰਦ ਕਰਵਾਉਣ ਲਈ ਮੰਗ ਪੱਤਰ ਵੀ ਦੇਣਗੇ।

ਸ. ਹੁੰਦਲ 70ਵਿਆਂ ਵਿਚ ਜਥੇਦਾਰ ਗੁਰਚਰਨ ਸਿੰਘ ਟੋਹੜਾ ਦੇ ਕਰੀਬੀ ਰਹੇ ਹਨ ਤੇ ਸ਼੍ਰੋਮਣੀ ਕਮੇਟੀ ਵਿਚ ਬਤੌਰ ਪ੍ਰਚਾਰਕ ਵੀ ਭੂਮਿਕਾ ਨਿਭਾਉਂਦੇ ਰਹੇ ਹਨ।

ਸ਼ਵਿੰਦਰਜੀਤ ਅਟਵਲ ਉਰਫ਼ ਟਾਈਗਰ ਅਕਾਲ ਚਲਾਟਾ ਕਰ ਗਏ

ਕਰੈਨਫੋਰਡ - ਇੱਥੋਂ ਦੇ ਹਰਮਨ ਪਿਆਰੇ ਪੰਜਾਬੀ ਸ਼ਵਿੰਦਰਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਅਟਵਲ ਉਰਫ਼ ਟਾਈਗਰ ਬੁੱਧਵਾਰ ਸਵੇਰੇ ਲੰਬਾ ਸਮਾਂ ਬਿਮਾਰ ਰਹਿਣ ਉਪਰੰਤ ਅਕਾਲ ਚਲਾਟਾ ਕਰ ਗਏ ਹਨ।

45 ਸਾਲਾ ਸ਼ਵਿੰਦਰਜੀਤ ਸਿੰਘ ਅਟਵਲ ਪਿਛਿਓਂ ਪਿੰਡ ਫਰਾਲਾ (ਨਵਾਂਬਹਿਰਾ) ਤੋਂ ਸਨ ਤੇ ਗੀਰਵੇ ਏਅਰਪੋਰਟ ਨੇੜੇ ਕਰੈਨਫੋਰਡ ਦੇ ਵਾਸੀ ਸਨ। ਉਨ੍ਹਾਂ ਲੰਬਾ ਸਮਾਂ ਕਰੈਨਫੋਰਡ ਵਿਖੇ ਦੁਕਾਨਦਾਰੀ ਕੀਤੀ ਅਤੇ ਇਲਾਕੇ ਦੇ ਲੋਕਾਂ ਵਿਚ ਕਾਫ਼ੀ ਸਤਿਕਾਰਯੋਗ ਸਨ। ਟਾਈਗਰ ਕਰੈਨਫੋਰਡ ਵਿਲੇਜ ਕਲਚਰਲ ਸੋਸਾਇਟੀ ਦੇ ਪ੍ਰਮੁੱਖ ਅਹੁਦੇਦਾਰ ਵੀ ਰਹੇ ਜੋ ਕਈ ਕਲਚਰਲ ਸ਼ੋਅ ਤੇ ਟੂਰਨਾਮੈਂਟ ਆਯੋਜਿਤ ਕਰਦੇ ਰਹੇ ਸਨ। ਉਹ ਪਿਛਲੇ ਕਰੀਬ ਤਿੰਨ ਮਹੀਨੇ ਤੋਂ ਈਲਿੰਗ ਹਸਪਤਾਲ ਵਿਖੇ ਜ਼ੋਰੇ ਇਲਾਜ ਸਨ।

ERROR: ioerror
OFFENDING COMMAND: colorimage

STACK:

-savelevel-